

FOURTH
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
OF THE
CITY OF NASHUA,
FOR THE
FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1,
1857.

TOGETHER WITH OTHER REPORTS AND PAPERS RELATING
TO THE AFFAIRS OF THE CITY.



NASHUA:
PRINTED BY ALBIN BEARD,
1857.

REPORT.

CITY OF NASHUA.

A Resolution authorizing the printing of the Fourth Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditures of the City of Nashua.

Be it Resolved by the Mayor and Aldermen, and Common Council of the City of Nashua, in City Council assembled, as follows :

That the Committee on Finance be, and they hereby are authorized to cause to be printed for the use of the inhabitants of said City, One Thousand copies of the Fourth Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditures of the City of Nashua, together with other Reports and papers relating to the affairs of the City ; and that the expense of the same be charged to the appropriation for Printing and Stationery.

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen. March 2d, 1857—Passed, under a suspension of the Rules.

CHAS. E. MERRILL, City Clerk.

In Common Council. March 2d, 1857—Under a suspension of the Rules, passed in concurrence.

H. O. WINCH, Clerk.

CITY OF NASHUA IN ACCOUNT CURRENT

DR. 1856-7.

To cash paid as follows :

For Highways and Bridges,	4160 15	
“ Fire Department,	7784 89	
“ Police, “	896 36	
“ City Watch,	1496 86	
“ County Paupers,	1154 55	
“ Paupers not at Almshouse,	688 60	
“ Miscellaneous expenses,	1072 57	
“ Salaries of City Officers,	2228 17	
“ Ward expenses,	305 00	
“ School tax,	7781 16	
“ School district tax,	2925 00	
“ Lighting streets,	987 04	
“ Cemeteries and burying grounds,	113 51	
“ Land damages,	50 00	
“ Printing and stationery,	373 53	
“ City Hall building,	2261 15	
“ Interest on City debt,	2517 21	
“ City debt paid,	4041 78	
“ City Farm and House of Correction,	1597 32	
“ State and County taxes,	7183 98	
“ Abatement of taxes, Collector's ser. &c.,	1526 55	
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		\$51145 38
To cash in Treasury, Feb. 26, 1857,		1029 89
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		\$52175 27

WITH CHARLES E. MERRILL, CITY TREASURER.

CR. 1856-7.

By cash received, as follows :

Balance in Treasury, March 6th, 1856,	4636 34	
Received of E. P. Emerson, Collector, for taxes assessed in 1856,	34635 45	
Borrowed on City notes,	6870 00	
Received of State Treasurer, Railroad tax,	1482 79	
“ “ “ “ Literary fund,	489 16	
“ County of Hillsborough, sup. of paupers,	928 14	
“ Other towns, “ “ “	123 11	
“ City Clerk, receipts of City Hall and licenses,	695 75	
“ City Marshal, receipts of Police Dep't,	411 94	
“ Fletcher & Godfrey, on notes for sale of old Poor-Farm,	1138 84	
“ Ira W. Reed, bal. of Almshouse account,	138 75	
“ Hampden Ins. Co., Ins. on City Hall,	295 00	
“ People's “ “ “ “ “ “	295 00	
“ Wm. White, uncollected taxes of 1854-5,	35 00	
		<u>\$52175 27</u>

CHAS. E. MERRILL, City Treasurer.

Nashua, February 26th, 1857.

The undersigned, Committee on Finance, in conformity with the requirement of the 14th section of the City Ordinance, passed January 16th, 1854, have examined the foregoing account of Charles E. Merrill, City Treasurer, and have also compared accounts with the vouchers in the hands of the City Auditor, and find the same correct, and sustained by proper vouchers, neatly filed. We find that there has been received into the Treasury within the year ending February 1st, 1857, including the balance of cash on hand, March 6th, 1856, the sum of fifty-two thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars and twenty-seven cents, (\$52,175,27.)

There has been paid from the Treasury during the same time, the sum of fifty-one thousand one hundred and forty-five dollars and thirty-eight cents, (\$51,145,38)—leaving a balance in the Treasury, February 26th, 1857, which was shown to us and counted, of ten hundred and twenty-nine dollars and eighty-nine cents, (\$1029,89.)

F. S. ROGERS,	}	Committee on Finance.
J. A. BALDWIN,		
GEORGE TUTTLE,		
MATTHEW BARR,		

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Amount appropriated March 1856,	4000 00	
Transferred from miscellaneous expenses,	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$4200 00

Expenditures.

Paid :

T. Pearson, Jr., services as Commissioner,	239 01
" " men and teams,	63 67
" " horse and wagon,	48 25

Paid for labor and teams :

J. H. Conant,	497 92
Chas. H. Reed,	26 00
James Hidden,	8 50
B. F. McKean,	24 30
Benjamin Roby,	8 50
H. C. Nichols,	13 90
Francis Winch,	23 25
J. K. Shipley,	25 95
Robert Harris,	9 62
James M. Reed,	107 61
S. F. Wright,	133 66
J. Butterfield,	18 00
Geo. B. Glynn,	4 33
H. Wilbur,	16 50
E. H. Spalding,	85 25
J. B. Hidden,	9 56
Ezra Franklin,	41 22
Sally Harris,	4 00
S. Morgan,	66 36

Amount carried forward,	\$1475 36
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Amount brought forward,	\$1475 36
Stillman Swallow,	21 25
Jonas D. Wood,	10 16
F. Fletcher,	89 69
Fletcher & Godfrey,	39 05
J. F. Andrews,	77 08
A. Smith,	26 25
Henry Fletcher,	114 25
Hiram Woods,	68 38
Nashua Iron Co.	16 00
Joshua Wright,	13 22
Wm. H. Conant,	91 00
H. C. Tolles,	64 75
Samuel Spalding,	5 62
N. Buttrick,	14 25
James S. Roby,	45 50
John Pettengill,	17 00
Rufus Calef,	11 25
Thomas Pearson,	11 37
Chas. Williams,	11 00
James Atwood,	7 50
W. H. Wright,	16 50
Elijah Leach,	12 25
J. Baldwin, building culvert, &c.,	151 20
Wm. H. Fife,	4 37
Charles Lund,	41 75
Abel Blood,	4 50
Luther Robbins,	10 00
L. A. Roby,	10 50
Paid for Labor:	
Mial Shattuck,	17 25
M. Kerrigan,	4 00
C. Chamberlain,	1 25
D. D. Marden,	4 75
Chas. Farnsworth,	47 25
B. McBride,	5 50
Frank Garrity,	22 00
M. Sullivan,	1 50
Patrick Bohon,	12 00
John Mannahan,	9 25
Thomas Sumner,	8 75
Joseph Hills,	2 00
Moses Hoit,	2 00
Charles Bohon,	4 25
Dennis Haggerty,	11 00
John Moran,	19 50
Edward Waters,	4 00
Dennis Warden,	4 50
Amount carried forward,	\$2658 75

Amount brought forward,	\$2658 75
Wm. F. Phelps,	3 00
John Pagman,	7 75
H. C. Henry,	2 00
William Cristie,	29 25
Thomas Bowers,	5 00
W. E. Merrill,	3 00
Chas. C. Colby,	5 25
John Smith,	6 00
L. L. Rand,	50
G. Fifield,	7 00
Asa Newton,	9 25
Joshua Currier,	2 00
Leonard Shipley,	11 00
Sumner Morgan,	5 40
John Merrill,	1 50
H. Fletcher & Co.	1 50
David Roby,	7 25
H. F. Flanders,	5 50
J. N. Townes,	127 50
Stephen Atwood,	2 00
C. L. Colburn,	28 92
L. B. Pettengill,	3 00
A. Barnes,	17 00
C. C. Allen,	5 25
Sidney Bruce,	16 25
J. H. Davis,	12 24
James Ryan,	1 50
N. Crosby,	121 50
J. Haskell,	2 00
A. Knowlton,	1 50
Mr. Morgan,	1 00
Wm. Farley,	4 50
L. Frost,	18 25
Alfred Moore,	2 00
Weston Lovejoy,	17 50
C. F. Brown,	6 88
Charles Turrell,	10 50
Russell & Boynton,	50
G. D. Nichols,	8 00
James Hamblet,	65 25
John Stone,	10 50
C. C. Hill,	5 00
Thomas Hamblet,	6 00
R. Pickering,	7 75
W. Wallace,	3 00
Eben Farley,	6 00

Amount carried forward, \$3282 19

Amount brought forward,	\$3282 19
Seneca Greeley,	19 00
H. A. Powers,	1 50
C. Barnes,	75
Jonas Adams, Jr.	1 10
John Putnam,	2 50
Joel Dinsmoor,	2 00
Z. Farmer,	5 63
Daniel Harris,	50
J. Sullivan,	2 50
Calvin Wright,	2 50
P. Miles,	5 50
James Willey,	41 75
J. Barrett,	8 50
Jacob Abbott,	30 75
Hunt & Chandler,	5 38
Jacob Hildreth,	3 00
Isaac Chapman,	3 75
Porter Crosby,	7 25
Charles P. Gleason,	4 25
John Nichols,	3 50
E. Barrett,	2 00
Caleb Turrill,	1 25
W. Quinn,	1 25
Charles Danforth,	5 75
Richard King,	75
L. Goodwin,	9 75
E. W. Chapman,	10 25
John Ferson,	5 67
L. M. Tolles,	3 00
S. Kirby,	15 65
J. P. S. Otterson,	2 00
Michael Clark,	6 00
Charles Shipley,	5 00
Geo. Fosdick,	5 90
H. D. Wood,	23 33
P. Parris,	2 00
F. Fosdick,	2 40
L. Shipley,	18 50
Thos. Hale, 2d,	17 00
I. B. Wilder,	8 25
J. G. Field,	10 50
Arthur Harris,	8 25
Daniel Robbins,	2 75
Joel Brown,	1 50
Edward Harris,	2 25
A. Spalding,	1 75
Amount carried forward,	\$3606 50

Amount brought forward,	\$3606 50
G. E. Eustis,	1 62
A. Ellison,	1 50
David Fuller,	1 50
John Law,	1 25
J. P. Upton,	2 00
Geo. McQuesten,	1 25
Horace Field,	27 00
R. Ingram,	3 50
A. Robinson,	25 20
D. F. Darling,	1 00
William Cox,	4 50
A. Longley,	2 75
P. Fletcher,	4 00
R. K. Griffin,	2 00
Wm. R. Parker,	4 25
B. C. Morrill,	7 00
Henry Weston,	2 00
J. C. Dudley, lighting T. F. Bridge,	7 69
Benj. F. Fox, for gravel,	4 75
Jos. Greeley, 2d, building culvert,	7 08
Francis Balcom, stone chips,	1 30
John Gilson, for plank,	2 80
L. B. Norris, for horse hire,	1 00
G. & S. McQuesten, for lumber,	172 56
S. F. Wright, for flagging stone,	37 00
John Campbell, for snowing bridge,	3 55
Norman Fuller, for stone,	12 54
Jacob Hall, for horse hire,	2 00
F. Chase, for timber and plank,	12 88
Horace Woods, for horse hire,	1 75
Vincent & Woodward, for blacksmith work,	19 76
Jackson & Daggett, " " " "	2 00
Mitchell & Merrill, for building scraper,	3 50
Z. Shattuck, for stone,	60 08
McKean & Hopkins, for spikes and nails,	3 56
R. Godfrey, for stone and labor,	25 00
J. M. Flanders, for repairing sidewalk,	4 38
J. S. Mooney, for breaking roads,	11 00
Wallace & Putnam, for filing saw,	20
E. G. Reed, for breaking roads,	17 25
G., W. & Whitney, " "	1 00
Barr & Co. for spikes, &c.	1 07
B. P. Moore, for snow scraper,	4 50
Chas. H. Nutt, for sundries,	9 65
D. H. Dearborn, for cinders,	31 48
	<hr/> \$4160 15
Balance undrawn, Feb. 1, 1857.	<hr/> \$39 85 <hr/>

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Amount appropriated, March, 1856,	3000 00	
“ “ Feb’y, 1857,	4000 00	
Authorized loan,	850 00	
	<hr/>	\$7850 00

Expenditures.

Paid Firemen's services :

Members of Engine Co. No. 1,	287 75
L. D. Stevens,	1 50
S. D. Blake,	1 50
J. W. Buggy,	3 00
Henry F. Ball,	2 25
D. Gilson,	3 25
S. N. Beckwith,	2 00
A. S. Edgerley,	1 50
T. W. Smith,	11 75
Henry Simonds,	1 50
Thomas Harper,	3 75
John Clemons,	4 25
C. G. Blake,	6 00
W. Tenney,	1 00
Wm. Buxton,	3 25
H. W. Wilson,	5 50
J. E. Presby,	3 50
Chas. Simonds, Steward,	12 00
George Swain, Clerk,	4 00
W. F. Merrill, “	6 50
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\$365 75

Paid members of Engine Co. No. 2,	258 00
Asa G. Hill,	8 75
James Arnold,	2 50
H. L. Newhall,	7 00
George W. Dinsmoor,	3 00
Alvah B. Paige,	75
G. R. Huntley,	3 50
L. Murray,	4 00
H. T. Brackett,	5 75
James F. Randlett,	8 25
Silas Brackett,	6 25
Charles Barnes,	3 00
E. H. Bunker,	4 75
B. Marble,	5 25
Thos. Philbrook,	1 25
S. W. Rice,	2 50
G. F. Parkes,	5 00
Stephen Brown,	6 00
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Amount carried forward, \$335 50

Amount brought forward,	\$335 50	
R. J. Brown,	3 00	
Milton Parker, Steward,	9 00	
Daniel Kennedy, "	17 75	
Chas. Wilson, "	15 25	
George L. White, Clerk,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$385 50
Paid members of Protector Co. No. 4,	305 50	
C. H. Mansur,	2 50	
R. G. Clemons,	2 75	
T. J. Dane,	1 25	
Charles F. Dodge,	3 00	
Luther Gould,	2 50	
S. C. Powers,	4 75	
Chas. H. Powers,	2 75	
M. Atwood,	2 50	
Newell Heath,	2 00	
Adelbert White,	5 00	
C. P. Gleason,	7 00	
O. W. Chamberlain,	2 50	
Brooks Hamblet,	4 00	
H. O. Hutchinson,	1 25	
A. Eaton,	2 50	
Geo. W. Davis, Steward,	14 00	
Russell White, "	14 00	
E. B. Burke, asst. "	27 70	
" " oiling packing,	2 25	
Geo. H. Gay, asst. Steward,	12 25	
C. H. Mansur, Clerk,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$426 95
Paid members of Niagara Co. No. 5,	462 25	
O. Hutchinson, Steward,	45 00	
J. E. Farmer, recording, &c.	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$519 25
Paid members of Lafayette Hydrant Co.	174 25	
J. G. Smith, Steward,	20 00	
C. J. Knowlton, Clerk,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$199 25
Paid members Pennichuck Hydrant Co.,	109 00	
R. Crombie,	2 50	
Timo. Flanders,	2 75	
Thos. Reynolds,	1 00	
C. W. Pratt,	1 25	
Russell White, Steward,	11 00	
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Amount carried forward,	\$127 50	

Amount brought forward,	\$127 50	
W. M. George, asst. do.	19 75	
R. Wheeler, Clerk,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$152 25
Paid members Hook and Ladder Co.	332 50	
J. B. Cheney,	3 25	
O. N. Willoughby,	1 25	
H. F. Flanders,	16 93	
Gideon Hardy,	6 00	
W. R. Howe, Clerk,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$364 93
Paid members City Hose Co.	160 25	
L. B. Colburn,	7 50	
Wm. I. Woods, Steward,	40 75	
	<hr/>	\$208 50

Ordinary Expenses, Repairs, &c.

Paid :

F. Chase, coal and wood for houses,	76 73
F. Winch & Co. " "	3 75
T. G. Banks, examining buildings, &c.	12 00
D. P. Alexander, cleaning hose,	20 75
Ober & Boynton, wood for houses,	13 00
H. N. Hooper & Co. bell,	5 50
Underhill Edge Tool Co. axes,	10 50
L. L. Rand, labor on engine houses,	8 00
Reed & Slader, curtains, &c. for do.	44 95
L. B. Norris, horse to draw engine,	16 25
M. Atwood, making whiffletree,	2 25
A. E. Smith, refreshments at N. M. Co. fire,	12 92
Sawyer & Co. — " " " " "	2 65
Hunt & Chandler, " " " " "	5 17
Division No. 6, " " " " "	4 31
Wm. Adams & Co. " " " " "	18 00
N. & L. R. R. Co. freight of hose,	1 30
Nye & Co. hose, &c.	44 04
S. H. Noyes, printing,	28 37
Jackson & Daggett, hose carriage wheels,	60 00
" " repairs on engines,	30 46
H. C. Laws, repairing hose, &c.	55 70
John McTigh, digging at engine house,	50
Stearns & Ambrose, leather,	2 25
Jas. Campbell, horse for hook and ladder,	6 00
D. W. Thompson, labor,	4 75
Mitchell & Merrill, ladders, &c.	10 75

Amount carried forward,	\$500 85)
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Amount brought forward,	\$500 85
W. J. French, horse for engines,	24 00
Thos. Parker, charcoal for engine houses,	11 50
Ezra Franklin, horse for hose carriages,	11 75
J. P. S. Otterson, finding bounds, &c.	7 50
Barr & French, oil, fluid, &c.	16 39
Hartshorn & Ames, sundries,	2 13
J. W. Moore, whiffletree,	75
L. B. Colburn, setting glass,	1 00
Nashua Iron Co. horse for engine,	5 00
Coggin, Pierce & Co. lamps, &c.	25 93
Norman Fuller, repairing hose, &c.	125 94
T. G. Banks, Jr., lantern bearer,	7 50
Jacob Hall, horse hire,	2 00
Horace Woods, horse for engine,	30 00
Morrill & Co. expressing,	83
J. Sullivan, getting in wood,	50
Vincent & Woodward, blacksmith work,	16 13
J. Parkhurst, rubber suits,	23 50
Russell & Boynton, stoves, pipe, &c.	84 50
Nashua Gas Co. gas for engine houses,	7 88
A. E. Sanderson, repairing hose,	40 55
R. Goodrich, repairs, &c.	20 46
Nashua Lock Co. keys, &c.	40 26
J. M. Flanders, repairs engine houses,	31 70
“ “ clearing ice, &c.	33 78
R. M. Blanchard, horse for engine,	6 00
J. & A. J. Rockwood, lettering for Cos.	2 88
Barr & Co. sundries,	14 02
John Taylor, rubber suits,	43 50
Josephus Baldwin, wood for houses,	4 00
J. F. Andrews, repairing “	1 25
Chas. H. Nutt, sundries,	92 82
F. M. Stimson, Engineer in 1853-4,	10 00
P. Lawton, “ 1856-7,	20 00
J. M. Flanders, “	25 50
George White, “	9 00
John H. Gage, “ and Clerk,	23 00
E. P. Emerson, “	15 00
J. D. Otterson, “	7 50
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New Hose, Extra Repairs, &c.

Paid :

Hunneman & Co. hose, fixtures, and repairs,	1054 55
J. M. Flanders, repairs of No. 5 engine house,	481 41
G. A. Rollins & Co. rep. of en. Nos. 1, 4 & 5,	366 22

Amount carried forward,	\$1902 18
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Amount brought forward,	\$1902 18	
Wm. Gaskin, painting hose carriage,	60 00	
" " " engine No. 5,	40 50	
A. M. Newbegin, " " No. 4,	41 00	
Geo. White build. tower to No. 4 engine house,	57 11	
Nashua Gas Co. gas pipe and laying.	150 43	
J. A. Devereux & Co., gas fixtures,	136 50	
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		\$2387 72

Pennichuck Water Works.

<i>Paid:</i>		
P. W. Works, for water, as per contract,	1354 00	
" " " clean. and rep. hydrants,	73 99	
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		\$1427 99
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		\$7784 89

RECAPITULATION.

Total amount appropriated,	\$7850 00
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Expenditures.

Engine Company No. 1, pay of members,	365 75	
" " " 2, " " "	385 50	
Protector " " 4, " " "	426 95	
Niagara " " 5, " " "	519 25	
Lafayette Hydrant Co. " " "	199 52	
Pennichuck " " " " "	152 25	
Hook and Ladder " " " "	364 93	
City Hose Co. " " "	208 50	
Ordinary expenses, repairs, &c.	1346 80	
New hose, extra repairs, &c.	2387 72	
Pennichuck Water Works,	1427 99	
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		\$7784 89

Balance undrawn, Feb. 1, 1857,	\$65 11
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POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Amount appropriated March, 1856,	200 00	
" " Feb'y, 1857,	300 00	
Receipts of Department,	411 94	
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		\$911 94

Expenditures.

<i>Paid:</i>		
T. Pearson, Jr., salary as Police Justice,	300 00	
Isaac Spalding, " " Associate "	42 00	
Geo. E. Robbins, horse hire and fees for committals,	80 88	
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		\$422 88

Amount brought forward,	\$422 88	
Wm. White, fees for committals,	66 07	
“ “ orders paid witness' services,	72 83	
John Barney, Police services,	27 11	
Levi Case, “	31 75	
L. L. Rand, “	34 85	
Johnson Griffin, “	2 83	
Alfred Shepherd, “	1 06	
Sanford Greeley, “	3 75	
N. L. Willard, “	22 55	
W. F. Parker, “	16 49	
H. F. Flanders, “	10 31	
Wm. White, “	1 25	
Wm. Saunders, “	13 44	
T. G. Banks, Jr. “	18 87	
C. C. C. Hill, “	1 87	
George Thompson, “	4 38	
Isaac Eaton, Constable	1 50	
T. G. Banks, special police	4 00	
O. B. Buswell, “	7 00	
H. F. Flanders, “	6 00	
A. H. Dunlap, “ in 1855,	2 50	
B. J. Merrill, horse hire,	2 25	
L. B. Norris, “	21 00	
Jacob Hall, “	19 25	
Horace Woods, “	8 00	
S. H. Noyes, printing blanks,	16 00	
Isaac Eaton, desk for Marshal's room,	15 00	
O. H. Phillips, refreshments for night police,	14 50	
Geo. E. Robbins, cash paid out,	10 95	
“ expenses at Manchester,	2 25	
Robbins & Banks, “ Lowell,	1 75	
H. F. Flanders, posting ordinances,	1 00	
Wm. Adams & Co. keeping criminals,	7 62	
N. Marshall, police badge returned,	2 00	
E. Spalding, medical attendance,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$896 36
Balance undrawn, Feb. 1, 1857,		<hr/> \$15 58 <hr/>

CITY WATCH.

Amount appropriated, March, 1856,	1000 00	
“ “ Feb. 1857,	500 00	
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*Expenditures.**Paid :*

John Barney,	services as Watchman,	356 00	
W. F. Parker,	" "	362 49	
Levi Case,	" "	354 37	
N. L. Willard,	" "	264 37	
Nathan Marshall,	" "	64 37	
A. Shepherd,	" "	1 87	
L. L. Rand,	" "	10 94	
J. T. Sawyer,	" "	8 75	
Sanford Greeley,	" "	21 87	
H. F. Flanders,	" "	19 69	
Wm. Saunders,	" "	21 25	
Isaac Eaton,	paid for rattles and clubs,	10 89	
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			\$1496 86
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Balance undrawn, Feb. 1, 1857,			\$3 14
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COUNTY PAUPERS.

The amounts below have been repaid by, or are due from the County.

*Expenditures.**Paid :*

J. B. Hidden,	wood for Mrs. Mitchell,	2 50	
Mrs. Slatery,	board and nursing Ann Moore,	3 75	
Jacob Hall,	paid fare of paupers, &c.	79 26	
Thomas Pearson,	wood for Mrs. Ryan,	4 94	
J. Baldwin,	wood for sundry paupers,	79 00	
C. W. Murch,	shoes " "	12 90	
J. E. Davis,	care of Wm. Perkins,	9 00	
S. Morgan,	wood for Mary Quinn,	5 00	
Morrill & Co.	fare for girl to Wrentham,	1 20	
F. Chase,	wood for sundry paupers,	20 50	
C. Kendall,	coffin, and burying W. Bartemus,	7 60	
James Baitey,	board of Mary Gilgan,	9 00	
L. P. Sawyer,	paid moving paupers,	28 40	
Mary Nolan,	board of P. Nolan,	21 75	
F. Winch & Co.	goods for sundry paupers,	51 15	
W. A. Tracy	med. attendance on Mary Maloy,	1 25	
Geo. Gray,	" " " T. Donoland,	15 00	
J. & A. J. Rockwood,	burying paupers,	44 74	
S. B. Tyler,	meat for paupers,	6 73	
J. H. Rand,	board and nursing McGinnis,	39 63	
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Amount carried forward,		\$443 30	

Amount brought forward,	\$443 30
W. W. & C. H. McKean, goods for Mary Quinn,	15 00
Robinson & Burbank, goods for Ellen Burns,	22 50
Mary Barnes, board of Carey family,	78 00
Achsa Hill, care of Mrs. Lynstrum,	2 00
Chas. H. Nutt, goods for sundry paupers,	27 78
L. P. Sawyer, medical attendance on paupers,	62 25
O. F. Seavey, " " " "	6 00
J. M. Bickford, board of Miss Wright,	12 25
Division No. 10, goods to sundry paupers,	23 82
Eliza H. Stone, board and nursing Mrs. Smart,	2 25
J. B. Phelps, milk for paupers,	6 30
Mrs. Halpine, board of Irish girls,	8 21
Mrs. Lufkin, washing for Mrs. Smart,	1 00
F. Moran, board and nursing M. Tiernan and wife,	53 33
James Slade, board and nursing Geo. Tufts,	6 39
Ann Haugh, washing for Mrs. Smart,	1 00
Ober & Boynton, wood for Mrs. Harwood,	1 50
F. Moran, articles furnished Tiernan,	3 88
P. Shaw & Co., goods for Mrs. Casey,	8 00
Sawyer & Co., goods for sundry paupers,	33 96
James Hamblet, care of J. H. Moore,	5 00
E. Whitford & Co., provisions to Delaney,	7 24
L. C. Alexander, house rent for Mrs. Sullivan,	3 00
Ann Moore, for her own support,	21 00
White & Hill, stove for Mrs. Waters,	4 00
Mrs. Garrity, nursing Mrs. Downing,	4 00
A. B. Dodge & Co., clothing for boy,	6 37
John Quigg, board and nursing L. Thurston,	8 00
Hunt & Chandler, bread for Delaney,	2 63
D. Wallace, board and paid fare of Mrs. Brigham,	6 05
F. S. Rogers, assistance furnished paupers,	3 50
M. W. Willis, " " Mrs. Moore,	6 50
J. G. Blunt & Co., goods for sundry paupers,	19 51
Wm. Adams & Co., lodging paupers &c.	23 73
Wm. D. Harris, crutches for paupers,	62
Barr & French, goods for paupers,	14 87
J. A. Wheat, board of J. Sullivan,	18 75
W. A. Sleeper, clothing delivered paupers,	5 12
S. G. Purington, board and nursing Ellen Drake and child,	11 50
I. H. Moulton & Co., goods to Mary Fennerty,	6 02
Merrill & Stevens, goods to paupers,	4 70
Peaslee & McClary, coaches to funerals,	6 00
Thos. F. Wills, board and nursing paupers,	25 00
D. W. Bixby, shoes for Mrs. Smart,	1 00

Amount carried forward, \$1032 83

Amount brought forward,	\$1032 83	
W. K. Davis, board and nursing Ann Griffin,	19 00	
O. H. Phillips, refreshments to paupers,	12 08	
F. Winch, wood for sundry paupers,	28 50	
N. Tuttle, clothing for Mrs. McClure,	3 13	
E. B. Hammond, med. attendance of paupers,	13 75	
A. & F. F. Kimball, goods to M. Tiernan,	2 70	
D. F. Joy, board of Mrs. Wright,	15 00	
M. A. Adams, boots for Miss Booth,	2 33	
S. Woodman, medicine for paupers,	2 07	
John Taylor, cap for pauper,	50	
T. G. Banks, Jr., expenses paid out,	12 00	
A. E. Smith, goods for paupers,	8 41	
G. M. Young, board and lodging paupers,	2 25	
		<u>\$1154 55</u>

PAUPERS NOT AT ALMS HOUSE.

Amount received from other towns,	123 11	
Transferred from miscellaneous expenses,	600 00	
		<u>\$723 11</u>

Expenditures.

Cash Paid :

F. Winch, wood to sundry paupers,	30 50
M. J. Blaisdell, board and nursing W. Buel,	14 84
T. Pearson, wood for Mrs. Reed,	4 10
J. Baldwin, " " sundry paupers,	16 50
L. Atwood, house rent for Richardson,	6 00
M. Richardson, nursing and washing for Richardson,	7 00
Russell & Boynton, wood for Mrs. Blaisdell,	3 00
F. Chase, wood for paupers,	36 00
Mrs. Jackson, board and nursing Runnells girls,	6 00
F. Winch & Co., wood to sundry paupers,	25 62
Division No. 10, goods " " "	9 75
Robinson & Burbank, goods to Mrs. Chapman,	60 00
N. H. Insane Asylum, support of Mrs. Robinson,	110 65
Samuel Holt, sawing wood for Mrs. King,	1 25
N. J. Harris, milk to Richardson,	4 23
Joseph Haskell, watching with Richardson,	25 00
Samuel Brown, care of A. Marckres,	5 00
Ober & Boynton, wood for sundry paupers,	6 00
S. Morgan, " " " "	14 00
Amount carried forward,	<u>\$385 44</u>

Amount brought forward,	\$385 44	
L. P. Sawyer, medicine and expense paid paupers,	7 16	
Sawyer & Co., goods to sundry paupers,	50 24	
J. Hall, paid fares and expense of paupers,	9 95	
Daniel Whipple, board of A. Marckres,	6 00	
J. Kittredge, medical attendance,	12 00	
W. S. Boynton wood for paupers,	8 00	
Barr & French, goods to B. Field,	7 15	
W. A. Sleeper, support of N. Sleeper,	15 00	
I. H. Moulton & Co., goods to Mrs. Chapman,	5 65	
C. W. Murch, shoes for paupers,	3 04	
N. Tuttle, clothing for paupers,	13 88	
A. & F. F. Kimball, goods for paupers,	5 20	
W. B. Dodge, support of father at Asylum,	13 40	
A. Richards, support of son at Asylum,	28 12	
J. S. Mooney support of A. Smith,	16 09	
J. G. Blunt & Co., goods to sundry paupers,	11 13	
D. R. Patterson, support of Powers,	5 25	
S. B. Tyler, provisions for J. Wright,	12 81	
Mrs. McIntire, nursing Amos Smith,	6 00	
C. H. Nutt, goods to sundry paupers,	15 29	
Town of Francestown, support of Whitfield,	20 59	
Sophia Saunders, board of Miss Harwood,	13 96	
Jacob Hall, horse hire,	17 25	
		\$688 00
Balance undrawn, Feb. 1, 1857,		\$34 51

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Amount appropriated March, 1856,	2000 00	
Less transferred to other appropriations,	900 00	
Balance of appropriations,		\$1100 00

Expenditures.

Paid :

L. Waterman, plan of streets, &c.	25 00	
O. A. Woodbury, return of births and deaths,	1 05	
J. C. Garland, " "	1 35	
J. F. Whittle, " "	1 05	
E. B. Hammond, " "	3 00	
S. C. Crombie, auditing accounts,	16 00	
J. A. Baldwin, " "	6 00	
M. W. Merrill, " "	6 00	
Alfred Greeley, " "	2 00	
Amount carried forward,	\$61 45	

Amount brought forward,	\$61 45	
J. F. Andrews, auditing accounts,	16 00	
Solomon Woods, damages by overturning,	10 00	
B. M. Hills, " to horse and sleigh,	10 00	
A. Caldwell, " by falling on bridge,	25 00	
J. Goodwin, " " in 1854,	200 00	
N. & L. R. R. Co. rent of Franklin Hall,	120 00	
Jona. Tenney, Teachers' Institute,	205 59	
S. Snow, enrolling soldiers,	5 00	
G. E. Burke, " "	5 00	
I. Eaton, paid for removing nuisances,	1 37	
Jacob Hall, horse hire for assessors,	6 00	
H. C. Tolles, " " " "	10 50	
D. Roby, " " " "	5 00	
L. B. Norris " " " "	1 00	
Telegraph Co. telegraphing,	2 62	
Nashua Post Office, postage,	6 34	
M. Davis, expense of inquest on H. P. Jewett,	65 89	
E. P. Emerson, insurance on engine houses,	33 00	
A. H. Saunders, surveying,	5 00	
L. L. Rand, notifying aldermen,	50	
J. E. Davis, cleaning house,	2 00	
E. Barrett, labor finding bounds,	1 00	
J. F. Andrews, two stone troughs and setting,	57 76	
Pennichuck Water Works, piping for troughs,	33 41	
C. H. Nutt, pipe for troughs,	9 27	
C. E. Merrill, services making taxes,	26 00	
Russell & Boynton, rep. pump, &c.	1 41	
Joel Bruce, cleaning lobbies, &c.	1 25	
Wm. Saunders, " "	4 25	
R. Goodrich, bill jobbing,	4 53	
Wm. K. Davis, repairing pump,	2 50	
J. & A. J. Rockwood, coffins and burying		
Saunders, Sullivan, and Hudine,	35 80	
J. & A. J. Rockwood, lettering guideboards,	7 87	
S. N. Wilson & Co. fixtures for agency in 1855,	5 00	
Holt & Jones, mattresses, &c. for lobbies,	40 00	
Levi Rogers, cleaning clock,	75	
Peaslee & McClary, coaches at funerals,	8 00	
John Taylor, for sundries,	25 00	
C. E. Merrill, cash paid for do.	11 51	
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		\$1072 57
Balance undrawn, Feb. 1, 1856,		<hr/>
		\$27 43

SALARIES OF CITY OFFICERS.

Amount appropriated, March, 1856,	2000 00	
" " Feb. 1857,	230 00	
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		\$2230 00

*Expenditures.**Paid :*

F. Rogers, Mayor,	300 00	
Chas. E. Merrill, City Clerk and Auditor,	400 00	
“ City Treasurer,	50 00	
M. W. Willis, Sup. School Committee, 1855,	42 00	
E. E. Adams, “ “	69 00	
Isaac Eaton, City Marshal, to June 1,	83 34	
Wm. White, “ since June 1,	116 33	
Geo. E. Robbins, assistant do.	75 00	
Jacob Hall, Overseer of the Poor,	103 00	
L. P. Sawyer, “	87 50	
A. F. Stevens, City Solicitor,	100 00	
Isaac Eaton, health officer to June 1,	4 00	
Wm. White, “ since June 1,	16 00	
T. Pearson, Jr. “	20 00	
G. E. Robbins, “	20 00	
J. F. Andrews, Assessor,	104 00	
Jacob Hall, “	60 00	
F. Chase, “	57 00	
David Roby, “	38 00	
Wm. White, “	56 00	
J. K. Marshall, “	58 00	
Reuben Spalding, Jr. “	30 00	
H. C. Tolles, “	23 00	
E. E. Adams, Sup. School Committee,	85 00	
M. W. Willis, “	81 00	
H. O. Winch, Clerk Common Council,	50 00	
F. Munroe, Chief Engineer,	50 00	
L. P. Sawyer, City Physician,	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$2228 17
Amount undrawn Feb. 1, 1857,		<hr/> \$1 83

WARD EXPENSES.

Amount appropriated, March 1856,	200 00	
Transferred from miscellaneous expenses,	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$300 00

*Expenditures.**Paid :*

Geo. E. Robbins, Selectman 1855,	10 00	
J. E. Davis, “	8 00	
J. B. Eaton, “	10 00	
Geo. Swain, “ two years,	13 00	
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Amount carried forward,	\$41 00	

Amount brought forward,	\$41 00	
J. E. Churchill, Selectman,	10 00	
Abner Andrews, "	10 00	
W. D. Clark, "	10 00	
Henry Holt, "	8 00	
D. R. Marshall, "	10 00	
S. P. Davidson, "	5 00	
J. Greeley, 2d. "	10 00	
A. B. Kidder, "	10 00	
A. E. Smith, "	10 00	
A. P. Dutton, "	6 00	
C. E. Paige, "	10 00	
L. Robinson, "	10 00	
J. K. Paige, "	8 00	
Stilman Swallow, "	5 00	
L. C. Farwell, "	8 00	
H. C. Tolles, "	6 00	
J. S. A. French, "	10 00	
John W. Moore, "	6 00	
A. E. Smith, " in 1856,	5 00	
R. Emerson, Ward Clerk,	10 00	
John M. Goddard, Ward Clerk,	10 00	
Geo. W. Palmer, " "	10 00	
Wm. J. Nutt, " "	10 00	
C. E. Merrill, " "	10 00	
Wm. K. Davis, " "	10 00	
N. S. Wheeler, " "	10 00	
Baptist Society, use of Room,	35 00	
Wm. A. Chandler, cleaning Ward Room,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$305 00
Amount overdrawn, Feb. 1, 1857.		<hr/> <hr/> \$5 00

SCHOOL TAX.

Amount raised by assessment,	7292 00	
Literary Fund, received from State,	489 16	
	<hr/>	\$7781 16

Expenditures.

<i>Paid :</i>		
Geo. J. Little, District No. 1,	140 33	
W. Blodgett, " 2,	154 69	
E. A. Slader, " 3,	4477 20	
J. A. Burrill, " 4,	504 90	
S. Spalding, " 5,	1688 05	
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Amount carried forward,	\$6965 17	

Amount brought forward,		\$6965 17
James Roby, District No. 6,		132 61
John Putnam, " 7,		129 45
Wm. A. Swallow, " 8,		129 45
John Ferson, " 9,		126 30
Elliot Whitford, " 10,		138 91
I B. Wilder, " 11,		159 27
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		\$7781 16

SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX.

Amount raised by assessment,	\$2925 00
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Expenditures.

Paid :

E. A. Slader, District No. 3,	2200 00
J. A. Burrill, " 4,	100 00
Solomon Spalding, " 5,	600 00
John Ferson, " 9,	25 00
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	\$2925 00

LIGHTING STREETS.

Amount appropriated March, 1856,	400 00
" " Feb. 1857,	600 00
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	\$1000 00

Expenditures.

Paid :

Nashua Gas Co. for gas,	819 49
J. B. Hidden, lighting streets,	51 50
Levi Case, " "	10 95
N. L. Willard, " "	11 57
John Barney, " "	11 57
Wm. F. Parker, " "	11 57
Wm. D. Harris, ladders,	8 75
H. Wheelock, patent burners,	30 00
Samuel McKean, lantern and putting up,	12 00
Jackson & Daggett, hooks for ladders,	76
Nashua Gas Co. moving post,	6 60
C. H. Nutt, glass for lanterns,	12 28
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	\$987 04

Balance undrawn Feb. 1, 1857,	<hr/>
	\$12 96

CEMETERIES AND BURYING GROUNDS.

Amount appropriated March, 1856,	200 00	
Less, transferred to printing and stationery,	75 00	
	<u> </u>	\$125 00

Expenditures.

<i>Paid :</i>		
W. D. Beasom, stone for burying ground,	10 00	
Wm. Gaskin, painting hearse,	10 00	
T. Pearson, Jr. laying out burying ground,	1 75	
Whitney & Eaton, building stone wall,	24 00	
Nathaniel Eaton, " "	38 76	
Hills & Osborn, pall,	12 00	
S. F. Wright, stone for burying ground,	13 00	
J. & A. J. Rockwood, moving grave,	4 00	
	<u> </u>	\$113 51
Balance undrawn Feb. 1, 1857,		<u><u>\$11 49</u></u>

LAND DAMAGES.

Amount appropriated Feb. 1857,	\$50 00
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Expenditures.

<i>Paid :</i>	
M. W. Willis, land taken to widen Orange street,	<u><u>\$50 00</u></u>

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

Amount appropriated March, 1856,	300 00	
Transferred from cemeteries and burying grounds,	75 00	
	<u> </u>	\$375 00

Expenditures.

<i>Paid :</i>		
A. Beard, printing,	236 40	
S. H. Noyes, "	24 37	
B. B. & F. P. Whittemore, do.	16 50	
N. P. Greene, stationery,	96 26	
	<u> </u>	\$373 53
Amount undrawn Feb. 1, 1857,		<u><u>\$1 47</u></u>

CITY HALL BUILDING.

Receipts from Hall and Licenses,	695 75	
Authorized loan,	1000 00	
Received from Insurance Companies,	590 00	
	<hr/>	\$2285 75

*Expenditures.**Paid :*

J. B. Hidden, washing hall,	22 50
H. F. Flanders, sawing wood,	3 00
L. L. Rand, services as janitor,	51 88
William White, " "	59 25
S. W. Page, repairs on building,	1 17
Wm. D. Harris, " "	10 17
A. Shephard, " "	1 00
F. Chase, coal,	61 59
Jackson Rideout, wood,	3 50
Ober & Boynton, " "	3 25
Granville Hill, " "	6 00
F. Winch, " "	18 75
S. Boynton, " "	9 25
Gilman Jaquith, " "	22 50
C. Farnsworth, sawing wood,	2 00
M. O. Kerrigan, " "	1 25
Wm. F. Parker, " "	3 00
D. P. Roach, " "	3 00
I. Eaton, paid for burners,	1 50
H. Fletcher & Co. soap for washing,	1 83
J. H. Vaughn, eight patent burners,	8 00
Pennichuck Water Works, water,	25 00
S. M. Shephard, carrying in coal,	25
Morrill & Co. freight on boiler,	38
Hartshorn & Ames, boiler,	7 00
Nashua Gas Co. gas for hall and offices,	218 26
T. Pearson, Jr. cleaning cellar,	3 87
Peter Butler, " "	1 00
L. L. Rand, whitewashing,	2 25
J. A. Devereux & Co. gas fitting,	3 98
Pennichuck Water Works, plumbing,	2 25
C. Greenwood, insurance on building,	65 25
E. Gerry, repairing lightning rods,	2 75
J. Gilson & Co. charcoal,	5 25
Coggin & Pierce, chairs and spittoons,	3 13
Vincent & Woodward, snow brakes,	29 30
J. Slatery, putting up " "	42 68
Merrill & Stevens, curtain for hall,	9 12
R. Goodrich, sundries,	39 83

Amount carried forward,	<hr/>	\$755 94
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Amount brought forward,	\$755 94	
Barr & Co. stair banisters,	90	
Nashua Man. Co. waste for cleaning,	80	
C. H. Nutt, sundries,	17 03	
J. & A. J. Rockwood, setting glass, &c.	14 02	
S. W. Page, repairing and cleaning after fire,	57 81	
S. F. Dodge, painting	" "	17 00
C. E. Merrill, care of hall,	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$888 49

*Court Room.**Paid :*

F. Chase, lumber,	61 38	
H. Woods, horse hire,	4 00	
Fulton Works, doors and blinds,	38 00	
Smith & Tarbell, gas fixtures,	21 25	
Merrill & Stevens, velvet, &c.	12 06	
A. Merriam, chairs,	72 00	
Abner Andrews, labor and stock,	162 06	
G. & S. McQuesten, lumber,	10 80	
Fletcher & Farwell, painting chairs,	19 33	
" " spittoons,	11 25	
S. F. Dodge, painting,	73 00	
Atwood & Cotton, posts, &c.	21 26	
R. Goodrich, stove, pipe, &c.	65 04	
J. A. Devereux, gas fitting,	19 95	
S. W. Page, labor,	26 00	
Norman Fuller, cushions,	27 55	
Williams, Bird & Co. iron columns,	76 74	
J. F. Andrews, mason work,	40 45	
C. H. Nutt, sundries,	46 13	
Dutton & Gardiner, carpets,	112 76	
	<hr/>	\$921 01

*New Lobbies.**Paid :*

Gilman Jaquith, brick,	101 70	
J. F. Andrews, "	18 50	
G. Shattuck & Co. lime and cement,	22 50	
Rand & Nye, mason work,	128 92	
F. Chase, lumber,	13 10	
Jackson & Daggett, iron work,	114 01	
Z. Shattuck, stone,	25 00	
Williams, Bird & Co. castings,	27 92	
	<hr/>	\$451 65
		\$2261 15

Amount undrawn Feb. 1, 1857,

\$24 60

INTEREST ON CITY DEBT.

Amount appropriated March, 1856, \$2500 00

*Expenditures.**Paid :*

Bridgett Winn,	85 94	
Solomon Spalding,	60 00	
Sarah Jenkins,	150 00	
Oliver Lund,	90 00	
Roxanna Adams,	34 69	
Isaac P. Whitman,	60 00	
Manson Fuller,	126 00	
William White,	48 00	
Luther Pollard,	48 00	
Sarah R. Roby,	63 00	
Sarah A. Spalding,	36 00	
Caty Reed,	24 00	
E. G. McKean,	167 20	
Granite Lodge, I. O. O. F.	120 00	
C. Oliver,	33 48	
Cyrus Baldwin,	42 00	
Ruth Farwell,	60 00	
Belinda Blodgett,	60 00	
Freeman Hill,	300 00	
Jona. W. Lund,	60 00	
A. E. Merrill,	60 00	
Miles Taylor,	5 30	
Thos. H. Marshall,	243 60	
Reuben Lewis,	90 00	
Edey Smith,	30 00	
Oliver McConihe,	60 00	
Coupons on City stock,	360 00	
		<u>\$2517 21</u>
Amount overdrawn, Feb. 1, 1857,		<u><u>\$17 21</u></u>

CITY DEBT.

*Expenditures.**Paid :*

Roxanna Adams, note,	141 78
Caty Reed, " "	400 00
E. G. McKean, " "	1200 00
Granite Lodge, I. O. O. F. note,	1000 00
Amount carried forward,	<u>\$2741 78</u>

Amount brought forward,	\$2741 78	
C. Oliver,	700 00	
Miles Taylor,	600 00	
		<u>\$4041 78</u>

The above City Notes have been redeemed by issuing other notes therefor.

CITY FARM AND HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

Amount appropriated March, 1856,	200 00	
“ “ Feb. 1857,	1250 00	
Balance received from Farm,	138 75	
		<u>\$1588 75</u>

Expenditures.

Paid :

Whitford & Co. corn,	17 19	
C. H. Nutt, lead pipe,	203 58	
Jacob O. Smith, labor,	31 00	
F. Chase, lumber for lobby,	30 21	
Vincent & Woodward, blacksmith work,	19 56	
A. Jackson, “ “	7 82	
Jackson & Daggett, “ “	10 88	
T. Pearson, pasturing cattle,	15 00	
Dutton & Gardiner, sundries,	28 40	
G. & S. McQuesten, grinding,	11 05	
“ “ lumber for lobby,	19 43	
Chase Gilman, labor,	57 98	
M. W. Merrill, shingles for lobby,	9 00	
A. & F. F. Kimball, sundries,	36 17	
J. & A. J. Rockwood, burying paupers,	29 42	
Barr & Co. sundries,	51 98	
J. G. Blunt & Co. “	69 36	
C. H. Nutt, “	67 59	
J. F. Andrews, building lobby,	326 54	
A. E. Smith, sundries,	55 16	
Ira W. Reed, Superintendent's salary,	500 00	
		<u>\$1597 32</u>

Amount overdrawn Feb. 1, 1857,	<u>\$8 57</u>
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STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Amount raised by assessment,	\$7183 98
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Expenditures.

<i>Paid :</i>	
Wm. Berry, State Treasurer,	2552 20
Rufus Baker, County "	4631 78
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	\$7183 98

ABATEMENT OF TAXES, &c.

Taxes abated by the Assessors for errors, &c. in list of 1856, as follows :

<i>Paid :</i>	
Jonas Jaquith, overtaxed,	4 55
John Marshall, "	4 20
Frank Whitman, not of age,	1 88
C. Kickendopher, left in April,	1 88
Chase Gilman, taxed in Vt.	1 82
Mary Allds, poor,	78
Christopher Allen, poor,	1 88
Joseph A. Rollins, no such man,	1 88
Alfred Rollins, Jr. "	1 88
Alden A. Wilson, not of age,	1 88
Patrick Wills, "	1 88
Walter S. Reed, taxed in Merrimack,	1 88
Philip Jones, error,	1 75
Asa Knight, came in April,	1 72
Joseph Hilliard, overtaxed,	7 75
Frederick A. Jose, left in spring,	1 72
Edwin Smith, taxed in Amherst,	1 72
Alonzo Bartlett, not of age,	1 72
William Hay, over 70,	1 72
Thomas Farrington, dead,	1 72
Adelbert White, not of age,	1 72
David Campbell, dead,	1 72
Simon Gilpatrick, run away,	1 68
William Woods, over 70,	1 68
Andrew Haskell, poor,	1 68
Solomon Hall, over 70,	1 68
Benjamin Tappan, no such man,	1 86
Franklin Hamilton, taxed in Lawrence,	1 88
Elijah Adams, pauper,	1 86
Mr. Weeks, not found,	1 68
Matthew Tobin, sick and poor,	1 88
Ephraim T. Glover, insane,	1 88
E. B. Libbey, dead,	1 88
Benjamin Fletcher, not of age,	1 88
Burnham Watson, gone,	1 88

Amount carried forward,

\$73 05

Amount brought forward,	\$73 05
C. C. Boutwell, overtaxed,	1 86
Danforth White, insane,	1 86
Eben Marble, not here April 1,	1 86
Caleb C. Hall, not of age,	1 88
Geo. March, “	1 88
Harvey Forsaith, not in town April 1,	1 86
Calvin Clemens, over 70,	1 88
George M. Wilde, taxed twice,	1 86
James B. Combs, no such man,	1 88
Geo. O. Hamblett, lame,	1 88
Jacob Morrill, dead,	1 88
John Flanders, no such man,	1 88
David Woodward, “	1 88
Enoch Dickerman, taxed twice,	1 88
Benjamin Taplin, taxed in Vt.	1 86
Albert A. Decatur, sick,	1 88
Thomas Welch, not of age,	1 88
Joseph H. Vaughn, gone west,	1 88
Granite Lodge, I. O. O. F. abated,	7 83
John Shea, 2d, not of age,	1 88
Charles Merrow, “	1 88
Asa Woods, overtaxed,	1 84
Frank J. Fletcher, no such man,	1 88
Edward Flannigan, gone to sea,	1 88
Terence Cavenagh, criminal	1 88
John A. Underwood, taxed twice,	1 88
Mr. Coggin, taxed in Amherst,	1 86
Simeon Smalley, not of age,	1 88
George W. Marden, criminal,	1 88
George Witherell, “	1 88
William Saunders, dead,	1 88
Hiram Flanders, overtaxed,	93
Gilman Palmer, “	6 20
Isaac Prentiss, taxed twice,	91
John Earley, no such man,	7 27
J. K. Priest, overtaxed,	78
Nathan N. Brown, “	7 82
William Taylor, “	78
John Huntington, “	4 70
Winslow Ames, “	6 18
Daniel Taylor, “	3 91
Reuben Godfrey, “	8 40
William Colby, poor and taxed twice,	3 75
John Cummings, overtaxed,	2 52
Samuel E. Phelps, “	5 73
James Leach, “	78

Amount carried forward,

\$197 76

Amount brought forward,	\$197 76	
Loren Ballou, in England,	1 56	
Addison J. Turner, overtaxed,	4 03	
Stillman Churchill,	19 37	
William Sullivan,	6 26	
Daniel Parker,	7 82	
Ezra Vickery,	3 10	
Henry M. Bullard,	3 10	
Horace Bennett,	5 75	
David A. Wilson,	7 82	
Dana Gould,	3 86	
Aaron W. Sawyer,	3 90	
Hannah Wright,	3 78	
James Whitney,	2 03	
B. P. Moore,	3 90	
Charles Putney, taxed twice,	7 32	
Martin L. Blood, taxed in Mason,	6 01	
William H. Drake, overtaxed,	1 09	
		\$288 46
R. W. Lane, overtaxed in 1855,		8 33
Granite Lodge, abated " "		8 00
Taxes uncollected and allowed the Collector as doubtful,		539 85
Paid E. P. Emerson, Collector's services,		681 91
		<u>\$1526 55</u>

SCHEDULE OF CITY DEBT.

John Boynton,	4000 00
A. E. Merrill,	1000 00
Solomon Spalding,	1000 00
Sarah Jenkins,	2500 00
Tenry Turrell,	700 00
Isaac P. Whitman,	1000 00
William White,	800 00
Luther Pollard,	800 00
Cyrus Baldwin,	700 00
Belinda Blodgett,	1000 00
Ruth Farwell,	1000 00
Jonathan W. Lund,	1000 00
Edey Smith,	500 00
Jeremiah H. Wilkins,	3000 00
E. S. Towle,	3000 00
Freeman Hills,	5000 00
Amount carried forward,	<u>\$27000 00</u>

Amount brought forward,	\$27000 00
Ann Harris,	500 00
Jacob Parkhurst,	1500 00
Manson Fuller,	2500 00
Oliver Lund,	1500 00
Sarah R. Roby,	1050 00
Sarah A. Spalding,	600 00
Sarah Lund,	200 00
Oliver McConihe,	1000 00
Daniel Fox,	600 00
Elizabeth P. Leach,	1300 00
Caty Reed,	650 00
Leonard McKean,	1500 00
Granite Lodge, I. O. O. F.	1120 00
Mary Rollins,	1600 00
Miles Taylor,	1400 00
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	\$44020 00

Debt compared with last year.

Amount of debt as per last year's report,	40050 00
Omitted in last year's report :	
Adaline E. Merrill, note,	1000 00
Roxanna Adams, " "	141 78
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	\$1141 78
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	\$41191 78
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Increase this year,	\$2828 22
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SCHEDULE OF CITY PROPERTY.

City Hall building and lot,	20,000
City Farm,	6,500
Engine house, High street,	1,800
" " Olive "	1,800
" " Lowell "	1,800
Engine No. 1,	1,100
" 2 and apparatus,	1,100
" 4 "	1,300
" 5 "	1,300
Relief engine, "T. W. Gillis" and apparatus,	4,00
Hooks, Ladders, Carriages and fixtures,	750
No. 1 City Hose Carriages, 1150 feet hose and fixtures,	800
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Amount carried forward,	\$38,650

Amount brought forward,	\$38,650
No. 2 Pennichuck Hydrant Carriages, 500 feet hose and fixtures,	700
" 3 Lafayette Hydrant Carriages, 500 feet hose and fixtures,	700
550 feet leading hose,	330
Furniture and fixtures in City Hall building,	500
Highway tools,	40
Personal property at Almshouse,	3,000
Notes for the sale of old Poor Farm,	1,220
Liquor Agency property,	850
Street lamps and fixtures,	550
Two stone watering troughs,	50
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	\$46,590

CITY FARM AND ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

City Farm in account current with City of Nashua. DR.

To personal property on hand Feb. 13th, 1856,	
as per inventory,	3059 74
" sundry bills paid for improvements and supplies during the year,	1097 32
" paid Superintendent's salary,	500 00
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	\$4657 06

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By personal property on hand Feb. 12, 1857, as follows :

" horse, cattle, swine and fowls,	759 00
" hay, straw and fodder,	410 00
" corn and grain,	389 50
" provisions in house,	636 51
" carts, waggons and farm tools,	544 92
" furniture and bedding in house,	256 00
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	\$2995 93
By labor on lobby and aqueduct,	315 00
" " getting out stone for lobby,	40 00
" " on highways,	15 00
" cutting stone for burying ground,	10 00
" building 150 rods stone wall,	150 00
" balance of cash account,	138 75
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	\$3664 68

Balance against farm,	<hr/>	\$992 39
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The valuation of the Farm has been increased the past year
\$500,00.

LIQUOR AGENCY ACCOUNT.

<i>Liquor Agency in account with City of Nashua.</i>		<i>DR.</i>
To cash received of City,	350 00	
" liquors " Geo. Tuttle, former agent,	458 17	
" profits of agency to Jan. 1, 1857,	33 49	
	<hr/>	\$841 66
<i>CR.</i>		
By amount of liquor on hand Jan. 1, 1857,	774 93	
" " " cash " " "	377 56	
Less Agent's salary,	310 83	
	<hr/>	66 73
	<hr/>	<u>\$841 66</u>

The whole number of sales during the year, as per agent's reports, has been 4878 ; amount of receipts, \$1440.28.

CITY MARSHAL'S REPORT.

To His Honor the Mayor, and the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua.

GENTLEMEN: The following is a report of the doings of the Police Department, for the year ending January 1st, 1857 :

Arrests, 226 ; Commitments, 61 ; Males, 209 ; Females, 17 ; Foreigners, 135 ; Americans, 91 ; Assault on Officers, 1 ; Assault and Battery, 35 ; Adultery, 1 ; Burglary, 1 ; Breaking glass, 1 ; Drunkards, 95 ; Common Drunkards, 5 ; Disturbing the Peace, 1 ; Escaped Convicts, 1 ; Gambling, 1 ; Idle and dissolute persons, 1 ; Provided with lodgings, 61 ; Larcenies, (simple), 20 ; Lewdness, 4 ; Night walking, 1 ; Noisy and disorderly persons, 19 ; selling liquor, 2 ; Stubborn children, 2 ; Violation of City Ordinances, 2 ; Disturbances quelled without arrests, 4 ; Dangerous streets reported, 3 ; Drains, vaults and nuisances reported, 26 ; Stores found open and secured, 4 ; Insane persons provided for, 2.

Amount of fines and cost imposed before		
Police Court,	595 87	
Amount received for Police services,	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$610 87
Amount paid to City Treasurer,	411 94	
Amount paid to witnesses,	4 31	
Amount paid to officers,	194 62	
	<hr/>	<u>\$610 87</u>

WM. WHITE, City Marshal.

R E P O R T

OF THE

CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To His Honor the Mayor, and the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua :

The Chief Engineer herewith presents his second annual report. During the past year our Fire Department has been called upon to perform more severe and laborious duties than ever before, there never before having occurred in this city two large fires at the same time. While the Nashua Manufacturing Co.'s Mill was enveloped in flames on the first day of July last, the alarm of fire was given from High and Garden streets. At this moment all of the leading hose of the city, and most of the Corporation's hose was attached to engines or hydrants, and a part of the hose in such situation as almost rendered it impossible to be taken up. Yet in the short space of about twenty minutes, a part of the engines and hydrant companies, with their leading hose, was taken to the fires on High and Garden streets, and was in full operation, keeping the firemen on duty nearly four hours, with a will and courage truly commendable.

The Board of Engineers would recommend the purchasing of sufficient leading hose, so that the several engine and hydrant companies shall have a double set of hose. This they consider will be a great saving to the city in the expense of hose. As this matter has been fully investigated by the Mayor and Aldermen the past year, and as they have, I believe, fully satisfied themselves of the fact, by enquiries from other cities, it is desirable that they should at once be procured. It must be obvious to all of our citizens that when hose have been in use and wet, and then immediately put upon the hose carriage in that condition, that it will soon mould and rot, and become worthless ; whereas, if the several companies had a dry set of hose to put upon their carriages, and place the wet hose in the hose tower to dry, it would save the city twenty per cent annually.

In my last annual report, I recommended that old Engine No. 1, then out of service and of no use to the city, be repaired and be kept as a relief engine, which has been done, and it is now as efficient a line engine as any machine in service, and the past year it has been of great service in the department as a relief engine, while the other machines have been out of service for repairs.

The Board of Engineers was notified in December last, that the company attached to Engine No. 2 was disbanded. This company had felt for some time that their machine was not kept in as good working order as other machines in the city, and this was true in some measure. But the Board of Engineers had no control in the repairs of this machine, owing to a contract formerly made with the Jackson Company. Soon after the disbanding of this company, the Agent of the Jackson Company made known his wish to have the contract made void, which was done by a committee appointed from the Board of Aldermen and Engineers, upon which the Agent of the Jackson Company very generously offered to the city, the engine house formerly occupied by Engine Company No. 2, and a piece of land to set the same upon in that part of the city, in some place to be located by the Agent and the Board of Engineers, and I have the pleasure of saying that the citizens in that part of our city are about organizing a new company, and will soon be ready to receive and take charge of Engine No. 2.

There have been during the past year, sixteen fires and five false alarms. The amount of property destroyed (not including the loss of the Nashua Manufacturing Company's Mill) is about \$10,000, most of which was covered by insurance.

The department at this time consists of the following machines and apparatus:—Five engines and four hose carriages; four hydrant carriages; three hose carriages (city hose); one hook and ladder carriage, and 3800 feet of leading hose.

In conclusion permit me to say that the duties of my office have been rendered less arduous from the promptness and efficiency of the Assistant Engineers, with whom it has been my pleasure and privilege to be associated the past year.

FRANKLIN MUNROE, Chief Engineer.

Nashua, February 28, 1857.

MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Engine Company No. 1.

JAMES I. OTIS, Foreman.

Jacob B. Gilson, 1st Assistant; Isaac Vandyke, 2d Assistant.
Geo. Swain, Clerk and Treasurer; Thos. W. Smith, Steward.

John Hodgman,
S. A. Sawtelle,
Abram Wallace,

Henry C. Stowell,
James M. Blanchard,
Henry M. Abbott,

James A. White,
C. M. Fisher,
Willard Richardson,
Alfred Hackett,
Thomas Grant,
John Warner,
John M. Whorf,
Eli Marble,
M. Bowen,
W. Cook,
Charles Woods,
John P. Way,
Daniel Lewis,
William Crosby,
Henry Craig,
A. Osgood,
Isaac H. Wyatt,
Franklin B. Simonds,

Henry Simonds,
Benj. S. Messer,
J. M. Cook,
O. N. Willoughby,
S. M. Howe,
William A. Chandler,
Joseph O. Bodwell,
E. Washburn,
Levi Case,
D. W. Duncklee,
Thos. Harper,
Lemuel D. Stevens,
Isaac N. Cummings,
N. Kendall,
W. Wallace,
C. H. Harmon,
Geo. White,
John D. Lord.

Protector Engine Company No. IV.

E. B. BURKE, Foreman.

Adoniram Jackson, 1st Assistant ; Robert G. Clemons, 2d Assistant.

Henry M. Davis, Clerk ; Adoniram Jackson, Treasurer.

George F. Barrett, Steward ; George H. Gay, Assistant Steward.

Frank P. Jaquith,
Samuel A. Lawrence,
Levi Hayden,
Luman N. Hall,
Charles A. Hall,
Oscar W. Davis,
Russell White,
Frank Temple,
Geo. W. Davis,
Weston Lovejoy,
Humphrey Sawyer,
Sylvanus Snow,
Henry M. Bullard,
William P. Bell,
Danforth White,
George Sargent,
James F. Barnes,
Parker Lane,
Oliver K. Bradford,
Oliver F. Webster,
Nehemiah Woods,
B. F. Williams,

I. J. Olmstead,
Wm. G. Merrill,
Gilman Jones,
Jeremiah Kelsey,
George W. Paige,
Bowers H. Bell,
Newman Lyons,
George W. Green,
George Dinsmore,
John O. Spaulding,
A. M. Newbegin,
Charles F. Dodge,
German Lyons,
Evander L. Newhall,
George Cochran,
Oliver M. Sawyer,
Henry E. Bathrick,
John Mitchell,
William T. Spear,
Stephen C. Richardson,
Adelbert White.

Niagara Engine Company No. V.

J. Q. A. WARREN, Foreman.

Edward Wright, 1st Assistant; B. H. Wadleigh, Jr., 2d Assistant.

S. B. Hutchinson, Clerk and Treasurer.

O. Hutchinson, Steward.

B. Fletcher, Jr.	A. J. Hutchinson,
J. H. Pierce,	Peter Jerries,
D. B. Newhall,	C. O. Merrill,
J. F. Norcross,	L. Marvin,
W. R. Blanding,	D. Merrill,
D. F. Joy,	D. Mellen,
G. F. Blake,	C. Niles,
R. D. Whitney,	J. S. Miller,
C. F. Whitney,	E. G. Reed,
J. W. Blood,	O. H. Reed,
O. M. Fuller,	M. D. Ross,
W. F. Adams,	H. S. Sargent,
R. D. Berry,	C. S. Smith,
H. B. Bridge,	L. W. Searles,
C. G. Blake,	A. J. Sanborn,
H. P. Burtt,	C. A. Thompson,
A. J. Cobb,	J. S. Tyrell,
J. S. A. French,	Frank Wright,
Allen Frees,	M. B. Wells,
Amos Hutchinson,	L. Flanders,
G. E. Heath,	N. W. Dearborn,
T. L. Holmes,	Joseph Marden,
	T. Harper.

Pennichuck Hydrant Company No. II.

— J. M. NEWTON, Foreman.

W. M. George, 1st Assistant; W. M. Beebe, 2d Assistant; Chas.

A. Holding, 3d Assistant.

Reuben Wheeler, Clerk.

James Wheeler,	J. H. Boynton,
Henry Bradford,	Charles D. Smith,
Phillip Nolan,	Calvin R. Corlis,
George T. Fletcher,	George Spalding,
Josiah B. Merrill,	John A. Spalding,
S. C. Sanborn,	Wesley Dinsmore.

Lafayette Hydrant Company No. III.

JACK WILLARD, Foreman.

Daniel J. Flanders, 1st Assistant; Norman N. Williams, 2d Assistant; James A. Ferson, 3d Assistant.

C. J. Knowlton, Clerk; Samuel Chase, Steward.

John Baldwin,
Joseph G. Smith,
G. W. Thompson,
Judson Clark,

J. W. Thompson,
Wallace Bascom,
Alonzo Decater,
C. H. Kershaw,
A. S. Edgerly.

Hook and Ladder Company No. I.

D. W. THOMPSON, Foreman.
W. R. Howe, Clerk.

O. Blodgett,
G. Hardy,
D. W. Thompson,
C. Hardy,
L. L. Rand,
W. R. Howe,
G. W. Page,
B. C. Andrews,
O. P. Foote,
Jas. Campbell,
H. F. Flanders,
T. T. Cortis,
E. P. Chase,
H. L. Kimball,
M. Moar,
G. C. Mills,
J. M. Hawks,
A. Butman,

A. G. Reed,
Wm. Tucker,
J. B. Stevens,
J. D. Brown,
H. Campbell,
H. M. Willoughby,
Barney Cook,
Jacob Libby,
D. B. Fiske,
J. F. Shaw,
H. Hide,
O. B. Buswell,
D. B. Major,
H. N. Pease,
T. J. Rockwood,
W. F. Buxton,
O. W. Greenleaf,
H. H. Wheeler.

Officers and Members of City Hose Company No. I.

GEO. HALL, JR. Foreman.

B. E. Squiers, 1st Assistant ; N. Edward Cobb, Second Assistant ;

P. S. Presby, Third Assistant ;

E. L. Sarson, Clerk.

George Turner,
Charles Greenwood,
John F. Marden,
John Brown,
Joseph Chandler,
William I. Woods,

R. M. Blanchard,
George A. Gould,
John Kimball,
Charles Gillis,
Henry C. French,
George King,

R. O. Wood.

SCHOOL REPORTS.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE CITY.

In the time of Pericles a multitude of Athenian youth perished in the Samian expedition. Pericles pronounced an oration at their funeral. Among the eloquent truths he uttered was this : " That the loss sustained by the commonwealth in the destruction of its youth, is like the loss the year would suffer by the destruction of its spring." Athens did not soon recover from the shock of that calamity. It required a century in France, to repair the evils of that warfare in which, by the decree, and under the leadership of Napoleon, so many millions of her young men were engulfed.

Were the seventeen hundred pupils in our schools to be, by a sudden catastrophe, stricken from among us, not only would our dwellings become as tombs ; our school rooms be given up to the reign of melancholy silence ; our churches draped in mourning, and every part of our enterprise bereft of its cheer ; but the pulses of our civic life would throb heavily, and we should find ourselves set violently back a quarter of a century, in the march of intelligence, enterprise and power.

But the sudden arrest and annihilation of our schools, and of the culture thereby enjoyed by our youth, would result in disaster scarcely less appalling to our families and to our city. The suffering might not be so intensely *felt*, but it would be as lasting and as deep. It would reveal itself in all our trade, our morals, and our social order. Our population would be under the tyranny of ignorance, idleness and vice. All public interests would be controlled by a *rabble and its drivers* ; every dwelling would be insecure ; property lose its value, and the reign of violence settle upon us.—

The calamity would be complex—the subtraction of present good and the addition of whatever evil, sloth, lawless passion and crime, unitedly constitute. The spring-time would be stricken from our year. No rich summer fruit would gladden us ; no autumnal harvest bless our stores. In this view, therefore, let every citizen among us estimate our educational system, and that the estimation may be more than *ideal*, let every voice and every hand be given to its support.

Our schools have, during the period embraced in our report, been sustained in their usual prosperity. Nothing of a marked character, either favorable or otherwise, demands our notice in this review. The teachers have been industrious, and on the whole, competent ; the pupils, generally, obedient and studious ; the parents, for the most part, willing to accede to the advice of your committee. We would notice with pleasure a more general disposition among the citizens to visit their schools ; and also a promptness on the part of the prudential committees to render the school-rooms comfortable.

But our schools are not yet what they should be. There is not that originality, that *invention* which successful teaching demands in those who offer themselves as instructors. There is need of much *oral instruction*, aside from the text book. The minds of the young should be led into *other* paths which the book does not name. They should be roused to independent thought ; to the study of what they *see* in the world ; they should become familiar with the relations, uses and distinctions of common things. This method is not sufficiently pursued. The teacher who attempts it will reap a rich reward in the wakefulness and mental thrift of his pupils.

There is also wanting in some districts an ambition to excel. It does not exist in parents, and consequently not in their children.—All successful, superior scholars study at home, and are *encouraged* there.

We regret to find also in some districts, petty prejudices and jealousies, which interfere with the comfort and success of the teachers. These are religious, social, or political. One man enquires at what *church* the instructor worships—another how he votes ? This man is soured because another family boards the teacher ; that because his son or daughter was not employed to teach. In one district a rumor is afloat against the teacher's character, or competency ; in another a suspicion that he is pompous, or partial. Some self styled Appollo questions the master's rules, and throws out hints that he is mistaken ; some prudish or conceited dame finds fault with the dress, or speech, or recreations of the mistress, nor do the committee escape these *charitable* eyes and tongues. But the *evil* remains chiefly in the district itself—in the minds and hearts of the scholars in the families. It gives a *name* to the district, and warns off every good instructor. One fiery tongue will fasten a stigma upon a whole neighborhood. If our schools would enjoy prosperity, and realize the object of all our

expenditure and care, their jealousies and envies, "and old wives' fables" must be killed out and banished.

Your committee have not *enforced* the use of new text-books.— They recommend Sargent's series of Readers, and Colton's Geography, as on the whole best. They would also recommend Bullion's Grammar, as much easier and better than Weld's or Greene's.

The Districts that come within our jurisdiction are the following :

No. I. This school was taught in the summer term, of twelve weeks, by Miss Hannah L. Cutler, and in the winter term, of eight weeks, by Mr. George Bowers. It still maintains its high reputation. We have neither seen or heard aught to detract from the merits of these teachers. Order, promptness, variety and increased knowledge are evidently combined in the result of their efforts. Whole No. of pupils, 18 ; Average, 13.

No. II. This district has had 32 weeks of tuition during the year reported ; 15 in summer, 17 in winter term. Teachers, Miss E. A. Moore, and Miss H. A. Marsh. They have evidently spared no pains in their work. The improvement of the scholars is marked. We have again to record some fine specimens of writing in this school. Order excellent, especially in winter term. Some small classes interested us much. Whole No. of pupils during the year, 32 ; Average, 23.

No. IV. This district has expended during the year \$505.08 on about one hundred scholars. It has raised for special purposes \$60, in addition to its receipts from the city. Its primary school, still, happily, under the care of Miss Meriam, is one of the best schools in our county. She has deservedly, a hold on the affections of the children and of their parents, which will not be easily broken. Neither will her healthful influence be obliterated from their lives. Whole No. 50 ; largest average in a term, 39.

The upper school, conducted in the summer term by Miss Kate Lethbridge, and in the winter by Mr. Caleb Richardson, has improved greatly. There is a large amount of mind in this school, and it has, during the year, been most healthfully employed. Order has been preserved. The ingenuity of the pupils has been well directed, and the difficulties of the past year, seem to be removed. Long may the present happy condition be enjoyed. Whole No. of scholars, 46 ; Average, 35.

No. VI. The summer term of this school was not altogether satisfactory. The teacher, Miss Kate A. Mitchell, will do better when she has had more experience. She is not wanting in kindness, and has the affection of her pupils.

In the winter term it was under the instruction of Mr. M. D. Taylor, whose calm, decided, intelligent manner, has done much for the elevation of the pupils. We were gratified to find in this school, a class of large and somewhat advanced boys and girls, in *mental*

arithmetic. Were there less pride generally among the larger scholars, they might gain an incalculable advantage from a daily exercise in that little work. Whole No. 18 ; Average, 15.

No. VII. The summer term of this school was under the charge of Miss E. S. Holt, who, in our opinion, kept an excellent school. Its closing day was one of special interest to us. We have rarely seen a school-house more appropriately adorned, nor pupils and teacher seemingly in more hearty sympathy.

During the winter term the school has been under the instruction of Mr. Rufus Calif. He experienced some trouble with one or two of the larger boys, and so far as we can ascertain, justly inflicted on them corporeal punishment. The classes appeared well at the closing examination. The writing is far in advance of any in the other schools in the city. Whole No. of scholars, 21 ; average 14.

No. VIII. Under the direction of Miss A. E. Wilder, this school has made great progress. The children have been roused to a high sense of what an education should be ; and the parents also enter more fully than they have done, into the importance of culture for their children. It is a pleasure to visit such a school. Whole No. 20 ; average, 17.

No. IX. We are happy to report a much better state of things in this district. The school house is well repaired. The school has had *thirty weeks* of tuition during the year. The children have learned well. Some ambition appears in the boys in the way of declamation. The seats in this school house, as well as in many others of the city, might be improved. This will be realized in time. Whole No. of pupils, 21 ; Average, 12.

No. X. Under the excellent instruction of Miss L. G. Campbell, this school made good progress during the summer term. Mr. Wm. B. Hidden taught it in the winter, with manifest improvement, especially in reading, algebra, and declamation. We noticed no defect in other branches. The class of little boys in mental arithmetic did remarkably well. There are some good scholars in this school. Whole No. 17 ; Average, 14.

No. XI. The summer term of this school was taught by Miss E. L. Runnells. She had but little experience before entering on her duties there ; but succeeded to the general satisfaction of the district. Some unfortunate influences have disturbed the school in its winter session. Mr. Heath, who commenced the term as its teacher, resigned. Mr. Solon Presby succeeded him. At the closing examination the school appeared well. Classes in arithmetic very well. There is in the young men who attend the school, an amount of mind that requires, and is capable of, a thorough discipline in the various branches studied in our district schools. We would counsel

the district to secure in future the services of experienced teachers, such as have great force of character, and are capable not only of teaching, but of thoroughly controlling the school. And we would also kindly counsel parents to co-operate fully with the teacher in the matter of discipline. Scholars, especially large boys, must be prompt and orderly, or there can be no success. Whole No. of scholars, 31 ; Average, 26.

We could wish that in every district the matter of general consolidation were discussed. Were all our schools under one system, and one superintendent, not only would there be better discipline and better advantages for all, but real economy. Let the citizens talk about this matter, obtain light with regard to it, and then act in the spirit of union and the highest view of utility.

E. E. ADAMS,
MARTIN W. WILLIS,

Superintending Committee for the City of Nashua.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Districts.	Schools.	Terms.	Prudential Committees.	Teachers.	Wages per month, exclusive of board.	No. of Weeks.	Whole No of Schol.	Average attendance.
1		1 2	Mr. G. J. Little.	Miss H. L. Cutler. Mr. George Bowers.	8.00 25.00	12 8	17 13	13
2		1 2	Mr. Walter Blodgett.	Miss E. A. Moore. Miss H. A. Marsh.	8.00 12.00	15 17	27 32	22 23
4	1 2	1 2 1 2	Mr. J. A. Burrill.	Miss Kate Lethbridge. Mr. Caleb Richardson. Miss Frances Meriam. " " "	24.00 40.00 21.00 21.00	12 12 12 12	46 50 46	35 39 33
6		1 2	Mr. James Roby.	Miss Kate A. Mitchell. Mr. M. D. Taylor.	6.00 18.00	8 13	14 18	10 15
7		1 2	Mr. John Putnam.	Miss E. S. Holt. Mr. Rufus Calif.	11.00 25.00	12 13	25 21	14 14
8		1 2	Mr. W. A. Swallow.	Miss A. E. Wilder. " " "	8.00 10.00	12 16	20 19	17 16
9		1 2	Mr. John Ferson.	Miss E. M. Ferson. " " "	8.00 8.00	30 30	21 21	12 12
10		1 2	Mr. Alfred Godfrey. Mr. Elliot Whitford.	Miss L. G. Campbell. Mr. Wm. B. Hidden.	10.00 20.00	8 12	14 16	10 14
11		1	Mr. Irvin B. Wilder.	Miss E. L. Runnells. Mr. Solon Presby. Mr. S. A. Heath, res.	9.00 18.00	12 12	12 31	12 26

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF DISTRICT NO. III.

Every man is educated—led from ignorance into knowledge. It is not possible for any human being—unless he be an idiot—to remain, intellectually, where he is at his birth. He will inevitably learn. That is his nature. That the law of his mental life. He may derive all his culture from what he sees and hears, in the visible world, in conversation with his species, and by reflection. He may have neither books nor schools.

He may be taught *badly*—to the injury of himself and of others. He may learn evil and become a criminal; but he is educated.—The association of thieves in London are craftily, thoroughly instructed. They are models of executive skill. Our prisoners, idlers, and gamblers are educated. They have learned what once they did not know. They have had teachers and proved themselves apt scholars. But to *know* is not in all cases best. Ignorance of some things is safety and happiness. But *not* to know some things is the greatest of all calamities. The question, then, regarding our youth, is not between education and ignorance, but between the good and the evil culture. *Taught* they will be; how, is for to us decide. Our course, and that of the State is, that the youth, for whose moral, more than for their physical condition, we are responsible, shall be healthfully taught—healthfully for themselves, for us, and for the public.

We have already had some experience under the legalized system of instruction. It would be strange if all were yet realized from its operation that may have, at first, by the most sanguine, been anticipated. It would be equally strange if more were not already gained, than its opposers predicted. It has not proved a failure.—It has, on the contrary, elevated the educational standard, not only in fact, in the actual administration of its rules, but in the public conviction and desire.

But we have not yet gone beyond the initiatory process of the system in our city. In the coming year, it is to be hoped, we shall enter upon its full *action*, and begin to understand its completeness. But to do this, it is absolutely necessary that the parents leave the whole regulation of the matter to their committee and teachers, whoever they may be. This, indeed, they are every year more disposed to do. This they virtually *promise* in the election of their committee. We act for the citizens, for the city, and for the State. The former do their first duty for the year, when they choose their officers and appropriate their portion of the money for the support of schools. The latter is doing its part, by its school laws, appropriations, and supervision. We have a united duty still in sustaining the laws, in giving encouragement to teachers and pupils, and laboring, according to our several relations and right, for a high standard, a thorough culture, a prompt devotion, and perfect order on the part of those who teach, and those who are taught.

The system of education is a public matter. Those appointed to superintend and to instruct, sustain the same relation to the State and to the individual citizen, as other city officers sustain. If in either of these departments there is wrong, the remedy lies in suffrage, in legal election—not in personal interference. In the interests of instruction, as in those of civil government, each parent, as a citizen, yields his individual authority to the public. This does not interfere with parental discipline and right. It is the same in that regard as is any law by which property and the domicile are regulated. We have more liberty, better privilege, for whatever surrender we make to healthful law. It defends us with the power of a whole city or state, better than we can independently defend ourselves. It educates our children by the appropriations, and the authority of the city and the state, better than we can educate them ourselves. It adds the pittance of the poor man to the larger tax of the rich, educating the poor man's children and the rich man's child, alike. It compels the wealthy bachelor to support schools to which the poor, laboring father may send his offspring for a culture of the best and noblest kind—adequate to any rank in professional life—to any individual need—to any claim of the commonwealth. We wish every citizen to understand, and to appreciate this beautiful, harmonious, democratic system. It is eminently for the people, while it is legally by the authority of the state; for in our political organism, the people and the state are one.

We would not, in these remarks, intimate that parents should be utterly silent with regard to the doings of the committee, and the teachers. Kindly hints are always deserving of attention. Individual grievances should have a candid hearing when brought forward with a right spirit. Parental feeling should ever be appreciated, and natural prejudice justly weighed. But, if we are ever to attain the highest results of our system, every citizen must take a broad and generous view of it; be willing to give it a complete trial; afford it all the means required for its operation, and cherish it as a personal and a public benefaction.

At the same time, if they prefer to patronize the excellent public and private schools in our city, and our state, they will doubtless reap adequate benefits. It is often well to send children from home—from their accustomed associations. They may do better abroad.

During a part of the second term of school sessions in this district, your committee feared that the results of the year would show unfavorably in comparison with those of former years. But in the end, to our happy disappointment, the evident and acknowledged standing of scholarship in almost, if not quite, all the schools, is actually a large per cent. higher than it has been at any previous term of our relation to them.

The High School not only sustains its reputed excellence, but gradually and surely ascends; while its numbers increase. The whole number of pupils for the year is 100; average, 64. We

could wish that our excellent assistants might be permanently secured. This is not likely to be done without wages corresponding to remuneration for such services in similar towns and cities. We are happy to witness the practical discipline afforded in this school. Some of its pupils have taught successfully in neighboring towns. One has entered college. Many others are already qualified for those stations to which their families and the public may call them. We regard our High School and its Principal as a part of the real estate of Nashua.

The *Grammar School* has surpassed all its former attainments, as we had reason to expect. It has had many good teachers during its brief history; the last not least. It numbers for the year 157 pupils; average, 83. Measures have been taken more closely to ally this school to the High School; to send from it once a year a class especially fitted for the upper room. This plan will stimulate those who desire a higher position; and it will give practical efficacy to the system.

The *Intermediate* school has been conducted in its usual admirable manner. Whatever could contribute in all respects to the healthful culture of the pupils, has been regarded by the teachers. They are worthy a better room and more scholars. We are happy to report an appropriation by the district, at its last annual meeting, of \$500, for repairs in the Old Brick. When these repairs shall be completed, many scholars will be able to attend the Intermediate, who now crowd into the Grammar School, to the manifest injury of both. Whole No. of different pupils during the year, 107; average, 52.

The *Primary* school has had changes among its teachers, and annoyances from rude boys in the neighborhood. The latter interruption will be remedied by a fence which is to be built in front of the house. This school appeared remarkably well at its last examination. It would progress with more ease and satisfaction to all concerned, were the taste and judgment of the teachers in more perfect harmony. Whole No. of scholars, 149; average, 106.

The *West Branch* is side by side with the best schools in our city. The teachers have a peculiar talent for discipline and instruction. The school is elevated in all its aspects, and the parents are evidently more and more interested, from year to year, in its welfare.

The *East Branch* has not, for the past term, appeared altogether as well as at some former times, owing *mainly*, we think to the presence of some indifferent scholars whose negligence is infectious. The teachers have evidently labored conscientiously. Whole No. of scholars, 118; average, 80.

The *Mulberry Street School* has been greatly injured during the year, by frequent changes of its teachers. We are sorry to record the serious illness of Miss Wilder, to whom the scholars were greatly attached. Miss Parker was transferred from this to the Primary, and Miss Moore to the Edgeville school. At the closing examina-

tion the school appeared very well. We commend the teachers as faithful and competent. Whole No. of pupils, 112; average, 77.

The *Edgeville School* takes the place of what was originally the Harbor. It was opened in the summer term, when it had 52 different scholars, and 30 average. In the winter it was much smaller, on account of the severity of the weather and badness of the roads. In both terms the children learned well, and the teachers did themselves credit. The locality of this house is not altogether satisfactory to all, especially for winter months. It may be thought advisable, during the coming year, and perhaps generally, to keep it open during the most favorable seasons, and closed in the heart of the winter.

We are happy to state that maps have been purchased for the High School and Grammar School, and some convenient fixtures been made. Something will be demanded before another cold season, to secure the heating of the High School building. The furnace is defective, either in itself, or in the distribution of its tubes. We trust this matter will be speedily adjusted. It affords us special pleasure to notice a large increase of visitors at our examinations. We have been accustomed to record the number in our report, but this year they have in many instances more than filled the room, so as to be obliged to retire. On the whole, we have every reason for encouragement. The system works well.

E. E. ADAMS, Superintending Committee.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF DISTRICT NO. III.

Schools.	Teachers.	Wages per month.	No. Weeks.	Whole No. different Scholars.	Average.
High School.	Mr. M. C. Stebbins,	111.00	36½	100	64
	Miss C. M. Colburn,*	24.00			
	Miss E. W. Goffe,	24.00			
	Miss A. E. Shepard,	24.00			
Grammar School.	Miss L. M. Coney,	24.00	36	157	83
	Miss E. A. Trow,	20.00			
	Miss M. L. Silsby,	20.00			
Intermediate School.	Miss M. M. King,	20.00	36	107	52
	Miss J. A. Patch,	17.00			
Primary School.	Miss A. R. Riddle,*	19.00	36	149	106
	Miss M. Parker,	18.00			
	Miss A. M. Laws,	16.00			
	Miss S. F. Stone,	16.00			
West Branch.	Miss M. A. Roby,	18.00	36	97	83
	Miss S. C. Kendrick,	16.00			
East Branch.	Miss L. F. Holmes,	18.00	36	118	80
	Miss E. M. Cogswell,	16.00			
Mulberry Street School.	Miss H. E. Wilder,*	18.00	36	112	77
	Miss M. Foster,	18.00			
	Miss M. A. Kendrick,	16.00			
	Miss M. Parker,*	17.00			
	Miss M. A. Moore,*	16.00			
	Miss E. A. Moore,*	16.00			
Edgeville School.	Miss E. F. Holt,	18.00	36	52	30
	Miss E. A. Moore,	18.00			

*Not in the schools the last term.

Whole number of scholars in the district, 892. Amount of money raised by tax in the district, \$4477,20; expended during the year, about \$4,547. Average for each scholar, about \$5,02; less by \$2,00 than is expended in several of the city districts where there are from only 10 to 15 scholars, and 24 weeks' tuition. This does not embrace interest on district property.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF DISTRICT NO. V.

The thorough, systematic culture of the youth of an entire nation, is a new idea. It has neither the sanction of centuries, nor the advantage of large experience to support it. Although we find its roots in the Protestantism of Europe, yet it is not necessary there to the existence of government. There, liberty and light illustrate each other. This idea is not then an imported one. It is home born, and bred of true American thought, and has become a national necessity.

While England has its church and parish schools, and Germany and France their imperial educations, and Austria a kind of instruction which begins and ends in teaching the dogmas of the Roman Catholic church,—we have our glorious free schools—public schools—a *res publica*—an affair of state concern—and free to all as the air we breathe, or the streams that sparkle in our valleys. They belong not to a church, or a government, but are the pride and property of the people.

Hence every man and all property are taxed for education.—And every good citizen is bound by a loyal allegiance to give to this cause his influence and interest. If so, how much stronger the reason for parents to watch with a tender solicitude over the schools where so large and so important a part of their children's lives is spent. It is just as imperatively their duty to guard this interest, as to provide for their daily food.

The State, by a rare and liberal wisdom, takes in hand only the fitting of its children, intellectually, for the business of life, leaving to the provinces of Home and the Church to specially instruct the youth in religious faiths. And, not till the Home and the State heartily unite to do each its own special work, will our children have the highest justice done them, as future citizens of the state, and heirs of an immortal heritage.

We are thankful that the comprehensive wisdom of the founders of our educational institutions has placed them beyond the reach of sectarian influence. A catholic child, as well as protestant, may be educated without an attempt to proselyte. The teacher of our public schools who should attempt to incline the minds of the children towards any favorite form of dogma or theology, is a traitor to his country, and false to an implied and sacred contract with his employers.

The great idea which governs the state in this matter of education, is that all her children shall receive just that culture and training which shall fit them gracefully and well to perform the duties that are required of the good citizen and the good member of society. "I call, therefore, a complete and generous education," says Milton, "that which fits a man to perform justly, skillfully, and magnanimously, all the offices both private and public, of peace and war."

If the education of the young were a matter of private concern,

and not a public necessity growing out of the nature of our institutions and citizen sovereignty, the State would have no more to do with training the young, than with dictating what trade or business they should follow.

The permanency of our institutions—the security of our rights as freemen—and the guaranty of our advancement as a nation, are all bound up in, and consist by the intelligence of our people. Hence we press this idea of the need, as well as the duty, of constant care and watch over our public schools. It insures our republican form of government more than frowning fortress or camps of soldiers. They are more important than any of the higher institutions of learning, and are democratic in the truest sense. It is the provision for the million. If the reverence of New England clings to her churches, her pride points to her public schools which glitter like stars on her hill sides and valleys.

If brevity were not a peculiar excellence in these days, we should like to express, in a careful and deliberate manner, our ideas and convictions of the duty of fostering and perfecting our systems of public instruction, in order that they might attain their highest efficiency. That citizen vacates his rights and answers not to the roll-call of duty, who will do nothing in this behalf. Of the schools of our District, there is much which might be said, in few words.

The *Primary* schools have been well conducted and are satisfactory at every point. Miss Cross, on account of ill health, has retired, and her place supplied by Miss Foster—a young but very promising teacher. Her manner, patience and enthusiasm are good evidence of success in her chosen calling. We have only to refer to previous reports for our present high opinion of Miss Holmes and Miss Brown.

The *Grammar* schools have made excellent progress, as usual, under the charge of the Misses Barrett. The High school, under the circumstances of the change of teachers, and the graduation of some of its best scholars, has done well. Dr. Root retired at the close of the second term, and Mr. Barrett was engaged to fill his place. We think, the school has done all that could be expected under the circumstances of the change of teachers, which is always unfortunate, and never to be attempted without absolute necessity. We believe that another year will have shown a decided advance on the one just closed. We want our high school to be not only brilliant, but thorough. We care less for mere study for exhibition, than we do for results which shall last, and become a real and vital part of the scholar's culture. There is good material coming up in our high school, which well trained, in a year or two, will give us another class of scholars of whom we shall be proud. We would especially allude to the progress made in composition. We never have heard in the school more faultless productions.

We earnestly commend the junction of Districts No. 4 and 5 into one, under the Somersworth act. We know of many who desire it. We could thus give the large scholars in No. 4, who are some-

what advanced, all the advantages of a high school system, and better grade all our schools. We urge upon the citizens of both districts, the need and mutual advantages which would come by such a junction.

A law by which this union can be effected has been recently enacted. We are confident, that a conference of committees appointed by each district respectively, would hasten a union. We should make the first advance, and nothing will be accomplished unless we do so.*

New England has had, and has still, a great mission to fulfil on this broad continent. We have a hard and ungentle soil, a climate of short summers and severe winters. We must depend upon our higher culture, and trained energy of intellect, to compete with the rich and favored regions of the sunny south and teeming west.— We cannot raise cotton or wheat, but we can raise men, and grow ideas. Hence the importance of perfecting our systems of education, and disciplining our youth, that they may find few equals in the race of life which has begun in the great west. There, our young men and women tend. And we would carry New England culture and New England ideas where we cannot carry New England. Our sister cities of this State are at work improving their school methods, and serving every opportunity of bringing the common school systems up to the highest level. Let us not be behind any one of them.

We would invite parents to visit the schools. We would insist upon the importance of the primary department of our system.— Few are aware that the primary school requires first rate natural ability as well as good acquirements. It is usually thought that any young girl is fitted for that task. Thus bad intellectual habits of various sorts are acquired and are never wholly eradicated.

Of the many great blessings which environ us, and illustrate our age, not the least is the grand result already achieved, by which the poor man may educate his daughters, and train his sons, under the best instructions in the land. It is a purely republican instruction, bequeathed by a noble ancestry. In five years after Boston was settled, "it was unanimously resolved that, our brother, Philemon Piermont, shall be appointed school master for the instruction of our children." In Connecticut, in 1650, a singular law was passed, that if "any child of sound mind and 16 years old, strikes his father or mother, he shall suffer death, *unless* it can be proved that the parents neglected the education of the child." The axe of the puritan settlers of New England hardly began to ring in the forest, before provision was made for public and free education.— In the infant state of the colonies, while still the settlers for fear of Indian incursion and slaughter, carried their loaded guns to the sanctuary, they laid the foundations of schools and colleges, which now

* Committees of each of the above named districts have had the matter under consideration since this report was prepared.

are the blessing of the country, and the proof that a Providential leading was directing them to build deeply the foundations of a great empire.

Be it our choice, as it is our duty, to see that this great bulwark of freedom suffer no detriment by our neglect, or opposition. With a brave faith in the progress of humanity, we will sow as we can, trusting to reap full harvests in another generation.

Fling, fling the wayside seed,
Give it a firm God speed,
What though more tempting plantage round it shoot ?
Thy hope hath reached its goal,
If one immortal soul
Pluck healing virtue with its wholesome fruit !

MARTIN W. WILLIS,
LEVI P. SAWYER,
J. G. GRAVES,
SOLOMON SPALDING,
FRANKLIN FOSTER.

Nashua, March, 1957.

STATISTICAL TABLE FOR DISTRICT NO. V.

Terms.	Teachers.	Wages per month, inclusive of board.	No. of scholars attending two weeks.	Average attendance.	Under 16 years old.	Over 16 years old.	No. Weeks School.
1	Mr. Martin N. Root,	74.50	90				21
	Miss L. A. Winslow,	18.00					21
	Miss Augusta Barrett,	20.00	62	43	60	2	22
	Miss M. E. Barrett,	20.00	58	43	58		23
	Miss M. A. Holmes	18.00	61	47	61		22
	Miss M. E. Brown,	18.00	78	52	78		22
	Miss H. J. Cross,	18.00	73	47	73		22
2	Mr. Joseph C. Barrett,	66.66	85	64			12
	Miss L. A. Winslow,	20.00					12
	Miss Augusta Barrett,	20.00	52	43	50	2	11
	Miss M. E. Barrett,	20.00	55	39	55		11
	Miss M. A. Holmes,	18.00	51	33	51		11
	Miss M. E. Brown,	18.00	70	51	70		11
	Miss Eliza Foster,	18.00	69	40	69		11

From the report of the Prudential Committee we condense the following facts as to the financial condition of the district :

The amount of receipts for 1856, has been \$4385,76 ; the expenses, \$4128,10. Balance on hand, \$257,68.

The district owes Alvah Kimball \$1500 ; J. B. Eaton, \$300 ; Jesse Crosby, \$890,64. Total, \$2690,64.

Paid teachers, &c. \$1725,30 ; repairs, \$126,18. Total, \$1851,48.

This is less by some \$300 than was expended last year—nothing having been appropriated by the district.

CITY GOVERNMENT.

The City Government for the municipal year commencing on Tuesday, March 24th, 1857, was duly organized on that day.

Hon. THOMAS W. GILLIS, Mayor elect, having been duly qualified for that office, and administered the oath required to the members elect of the Board of Aldermen and the Common Council, delivered the following

ADDRESS.

Gentlemen of the City Council :—I stand before you to-day for the first time in an official capacity. It may be difficult for you to understand, gentlemen, with what reluctance I assume the responsibilities. When I allowed my name to be used as a candidate for this office, it was with a strong hope and sincere desire that some other name more worthy, might outnumber mine at the ballot box. Not because I do not regard popularity, but I would willingly forego the honor, to be relieved of the responsibility. When by our City Clerk I was officially informed that the choice of this people had fallen upon myself, I at once inquired in what way my energies could best tell upon the interests of this youthful city. That I am deeply interested in whatever appertains to the welfare of this place, you will easily understand, when I tell you that for nearly one third of a century I have been one of your citizens—and that I have *never exercised the right of suffrage elsewhere*. Coming here in my youth and remaining till I am fifty years old, I must be destitute of ordinary sensibility, and stupid in the extreme, not to be tenderly alive to everything that affects the welfare of this community. Familiar as I have been with most of its enterprises, and per-

sonally interested in many of them, I speak from experience as well as observation, when I say that what Nashua possesses of wealth or power, has been bestowed upon her as a reward of industry and economy. We are not a city of wealth and refinement, but of diligent application and laborious effort. Our city which numbers only about ten thousand, is populated by the young, enterprising and generally industrious, who have come here from various places, and all for the same purpose—to gain an honest living and provide something for the future. Gentlemen, our constituents, as well as ourselves, understand what it is to “eat their bread in the sweat of their face;” hence the necessity of studied economy in the disbursement of our city funds—which is the people’s money. You will feel the importance of so arranging our city affairs as to encourage the permanent investment and concentration of capital and labor here. Some of our neighboring cities are an example in this respect. In order to do this, we must offer as good facilities to the manufacturer, the mechanic and the trader, and to all other kinds of necessary and useful labor, here, as they can find in other cities. You are aware, gentlemen, that most of our citizens are comparatively poor—but few among us can be called rich. All that can consistently be raised to defray city expenses is small compared with what we could desire. Therefore you will see the necessity of rigid economy in the management of our affairs. You will avoid all hasty legislation, and give to every measure presented for your adoption, the most mature consideration. You will insist upon every dollar of the public money being so expended that the city shall receive for it a fair and full equivalent. It is plainly our duty to avoid every expenditure which is not absolutely necessary for the prosperity of our city. Let us exercise the same economy that prudent and judicious men do in the investment of their own property—in the management of their personal affairs, not expecting to have all we would like, but only what we can afford.

The Fire Department. From the report of our Chief Engineer it will be seen that our fire department is in a good condition of strength and efficiency. No branch of public service can be more important than this. Yet none, unless it be the Police, are so severely, unfeelingly, and unjustly censured as they. If any citizen is wanting in sympathy for the fire department, let him hasten with his brother firemen in a hot July day, or a cold December night, if he prefer, and shoulder to shoulder with his brother, let him fight until the devouring element is subdued, and he will be ready to say no class of men should be paid more cheerfully and promptly than those who so fearlessly endanger their own lives to secure their neighbor’s property from the devouring fire. This, gentlemen, is one of the kinds of labor for which money cannot fully compensate.

I learn from our Chief Engineer that the engines and apparatus are in complete order, therefore we hope the expenses of the department will be less than the past year.

Police. That a body of civil officers for the enforcement of the laws of the state and of the city should be men of quick perception and decided action, is apparent to all. Prompt, courageous, and prudent, without being hasty, rash, or cowardly. In these appointments your inquiry will be, are they capable and efficient?—are they as well qualified, in all respects, as any that can be obtained? The appointing power must alone decide. I stand before you, gentlemen, untrammelled by any pledge or promise of office, to any person whatever, and the same is equally true, in regard to each of you, I am confident. Let our united wisdom direct in all appointments within our province to decide.

Highways, Streets and Sidewalks. It is expected that all those in the service of the city will be watchful and observing in regard to any defects in the highways or streets of our city, and report the same at once, to the proper officer. Every good citizen will regard it as a part of his duty to report anything that demands attention to the city authorities, rather than complain to others. In regard to sidewalks, it is hoped something can be done. It is a subject for our consideration.

Assessors of Taxes. I conceive it to be a great advantage to our city to retain in office as long as they can be induced to serve, our Assessors, Collector, and City Clerk. The assessments should be made and the list for the Collector prepared as early in the year as practicable.

Permit me, gentlemen, to call your attention to another matter—one which has agitated and perplexed not only the public mind, but distracted and confused the private and domestic life more than any other subject. It is the regulating or prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors. The places in Nashua where liquors can be obtained are increasing to an alarming and almost incredible extent.—Gentlemen, can nothing be done to prevent the progress of intemperance amongst us? Let us begin at once, unitedly, calmly and considerately, to remove the evil from our midst.

Debts. In regard to our financial affairs, we will not speak to-day, as the annual report is not received. I would suggest, gentlemen, that our city debt being not less than forty thousand dollars, be issued in city scrip, in place of the notes now outstanding against the city, both for the convenience of the City Treasurer, and the holders of the notes.

I have made no allusion to our Almshouse. Our worthy poor have ever been, and I trust, will continue to be, considerately and tenderly cared for by our city authorities.

Now gentlemen, may we feel our individual responsibility, knowing that the interest, the honor, the reputation of this city, both at home and abroad, depend upon the faithful discharge of our duties. Our sphere of duties, so various, and incorporated with interests both local and personal, is attended with many embarrassments.—Few have been able to retire from them with the full approbation

of those whom they have endeavored most faithfully to serve. I should be glad to deepen the sense of obligation which rests upon every member of the City Council in view of the great trust committed to their care. Our fellow citizens have honored us with their confidence. We will honor them in the faithful discharge of every duty—seeking opportunities, by every means in our power, to promote the best interests and common welfare of our city. We pledge each other our mutual support and co-operation in a spirit of indulgence and conciliation. Let us summon our best abilities for every emergency, in the hope of answering every reasonable expectation. Let us go forward to our work with reliance upon that recompense which is the reward of public fidelity and personal uprightness—remembering that unless “the Lord keep the city the watchman waketh in vain.”

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN.

MAYOR.

THOMAS W. GILLIS.

ALDERMEN.

Ward 1—Matthew Barr,
 Ward 2—Theophilus B. Adams,
 Ward 3—John C. Knowles,
 Ward 4—Edward Spalding,
 Ward 5—Jefferson Rockwood, Daniel Hussey,
 Ward 6—Thomas Chase, George H. Whitney,
 Ward 7—Franklin Munroe,
 Ward 8—William H. Conant.
 Charles E. Merrill, City Clerk.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Enrollment—Aldermen Knowles and Whitney.
On Bills in Second Reading—Aldermen Munroe and Adams.
On Licenses—Aldermen Hussey and Rockwood.
On Streets—Aldermen Spalding, Barr and Chase.
On Lighting Streets—Aldermen Chase and Munroe.
On Setting Trees—Aldermen Rockwood and Whitney.
On the Market—Aldermen Conant and Adams.

COMMON COUNCIL.

President—IVORY HARMON.

Ward 1—James Roby, Lewis Kimball,
 Ward 2—Stillman S. Churchill, Hiram T. Morrill,
 Ward 3—George L. White, Caleb Burbank,
 Ward 4—Reuben W. Hills, Charles Williams,
 Ward 5—Henry H. Reed, Horace Wheeler, John A. Cochran, Charles H. Warren,
 Ward 6—Joseph Knowlton, Enoch P. Chase, Ivory Harmon, Alford Fisher,
 Ward 7—Samuel K. Wellman, Augustus P. Dutton,
 Ward 8—Stillman Swallow, Benjamin P. Moore.
 Henry O. Winch, Clerk.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Elections and Returns—Messrs. Knowlton, Chase and Moore.

On Bills—Messrs. Reed, Wellman and Hills.

On Enrolled Ordinances and Resolutions—Messrs. Kimball, Fisher and Roby.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Finance—The Mayor and Alderman Chase ; Messrs. Hills, Williams and Kimball.

On Accounts—Aldermen Munroe and Spalding ; Messrs. Williams, Burbank and Dutton.

On Lands and Buildings—Aldermen Conant and Rockwood ; Messrs. Fisher, Moore and Cochran.

On Public Instruction—Aldermen Hussey and Spalding ; Messrs. Wheeler, Knowlton and Swallow.

On Sewers and Drains—Aldermen Whitney and Adams ; Messrs. Roby, Churchill and Reed.

On Commons and Burying Grounds—Aldermen Hussey and Knowles ; Messrs. Chase, Morrill and Burbank.

On Fire Department—Aldermen Chase and Rockwood ; Messrs. Dutton, Morrill and Warren.

On Claims—Aldermen Spalding and Chase ; Messrs. Churchill, White and Swallow.

On Poor House and House of Correction—Aldermen Rockwood and Adams ; Messrs. Warren, Cochran and Wheeler.

On Printing—Aldermen Barr and Adams ; Messrs. White, Dutton and Warren.

On City Hall Building—Aldermen Adams and Spalding ;—Messrs. White, Dutton and Warren.

The Committee on Accounts meet at the City Clerk's office on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, at 7½ o'clock, P. M. Bills to be examined by said Committee should be presented at least one day before each meeting.

CITY OFFICERS.

City Treasurer—Edward P. Emerson.

City Solicitor—David F. Whittle.

Overseers of the Poor—The Mayor ex-officio, Levi P. Sawyer, William A. Tracy.

Sealer of Weights and Measures—Lucius C. Alexander.

Measurer of Stone and Plastering—Joseph F. Andrews.

Measurer of Painting—Benjamin C. Andrews.

Culler of Brick—Daniel M. Smith.

Field Drivers—Allen Robinson, Wm. F. Farley.

Pound Keeper—Ira W. Reed.

Sextons—Andrew J. Rockwood, Moses Davis, John Harwood.

Fence Viewers—David Roby, Clifton Lund.

Superintendent of City Farm and Keeper of House of Correction—Ira W. Reed.

Health Officers—Thomas G. Banks, John Atwood, Thomas Pearson, Jr.

Surveyors of Lumber—Stephen F. Atwood, Thaddeus M. Fuller, Artemas Longley, George McQuesten, James Roby, John Harwood.

Surveyors of Wood and Bark—David Wadsworth, Artemas Longley, Elliott Whitford, David Roby, Isaac H. Moulton, Stephen F. Atwood, Thaddeus M. Fuller, Josiah Cain, Joseph P. Upton, Joseph T. Sawyer.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

City Marshal—Thomas G. Banks.

Assistant City Marshal—Paris H. Hill.

Constables—Thomas G. Banks, Paris H. Hill, John Atwood, Nathaniel L. Willard, Isaac Eaton, David L. Morrill.

Police Officers—Nathaniel L. Willard, John Barney, Sanford Greeley, Johnson Griffin, Elliott Whitford, Harding C. Rogers, George W. Underhill, Artemas Longley, James S. Roby, William Dodge, J. C. Batchelder.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Chief Engineer—Josephus Baldwin.

Assistant Engineers—John H. Gage, Daniel Hussey, John M. Flanders, Edward P. Emerson, George White, Jotham D. Otterson, Benjamin Saunders, Fordyce M. Stimson.

ERROR. In the report of the school committee of District No. 5, fifth line from the commencement, for "There, liberty and light illustrate each other," read Here, &c.

